

OCTOBER 21, 2010

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

SHERIFF HADDOCK PROCLAIMED THE MEETING.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR JULY 30, 2010 AND SEPTEMBER 23, 2010 MEETINGS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED PRAYER WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY LEADING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON THE ORC REPORT RESPONSE BY MICHAEL DERUNTZ, WASHINGTON COUNTY SENIOR PLANNER AND ALAN GRAY, WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL PROJECT PLANNER.

MR. DERUNTZ UPDATED THE BOARD BACK IN 2007-2008, THE COUNTY INITIATED THE REQUIREMENT OF HAVING AN UPDATE TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; IT IS DONE THROUGH THE EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT. THROUGH THIS PROCESS, THE COUNTY ENGAGED INTO VISIONING SESSIONS HELD IN THE COUNTY AND THROUGH THAT PROCESS, THEY EVALUATED EXISTING CONDITIONS AND NEEDS OF THE COUNTY. THEY SUBMITTED THE EAR REPORT BACK TO THE STATE, THE STATE REVIEWED IT AND IDENTIFIED A COUPLE OF ISSUES THEY FELT NEEDED TO BE FURTHER ADDRESSED. THESE COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED IN MARCH OF 2010 AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAS BEEN WORKING VERY HARD TO ADDRESS THOSE COMMENTS RAISED BY THE FL-DCA. ON OCTOBER 5, 2010, THE WCPC HELD A PUBLIC HEARING TO IDENTIFY THEIR RESPONSE TO THE ORC REPORT WHICH WAS THE APPRAISAL, RECOMMENDATION CONDITIONS FROM FL-DCA. ON OCTOBER 7, THE WCPC AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN A JOINT WORKSHOP AND REVIEWED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE RESPONSES TO THE ORC REPORT. THE PLANNING COMMISSION IS RECOMMENDING THE BOARD

APPROVE THE RESPONSES TO THE ORC REPORT.

MR. DERUNTZ ADDRESSED THERE BEING A LENGTHY DISCUSSION ABOUT THE VARIOUS AMENDMENTS BEING PROPOSED THROUGHOUT THE ORC REPORT RESPONSE FROM FL-DCA. THE ORC REPORT BASICALLY HAD ABOUT 27 VARIOUS COMMENTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND OBJECTIONS THAT WERE CITED AND EACH OF THESE COMMENTS WERE ADDRESSED. THE WCPC BELIEVES THEIR RESPONSES WILL MEET THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE FL-DCA. HE STATED THE PURPOSE OF THIS HEARING WAS TO GET ANY COMMENTS, CONCERNS OR QUESTIONS THE BOARD OR PUBLIC MAY HAVE ON THE WCPC'S PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ORC REPORT RESPONSE FROM FL-DCA. HOPEFULLY, DURING ITS REGULAR MEETING THE BOARD WILL BE ABLE TO APPROVE THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THEY SUBMIT THEM TO FL-DCA AND THE VARIOUS REVIEWING AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, SUCH AS THE FL-DEP, SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, AND A VARIETY OF OTHER AGENCIES THAT HAD RESPONDED TO FL-DCA PREVIOUSLY WHEN THEY REVIEWED THE COUNTY'S ORC REPORT. HOPEFULLY, THE COUNTY CAN GET AN APPROVAL FROM FL-DCA AND AS SUCH, THEY WOULD BE FOUND TO BE IN COMPLIANCE AND ANY FUTURE AMENDMENTS THAT WOULD BE PROPOSED BY ANY CITIZEN OR DEVELOPER WITHIN THE COUNTY, THEY WOULD GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS AND IF APPROVED, WOULD ACTUALLY BE ALLOWED TO OCCUR. WITHOUT THAT APPROVAL FROM FL-DCA FINDING THE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN COMPLIANCE, THE COUNTY WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THAT STEP. THEY HAVE HAD AN EXPEDITED REVIEW ON THE ORC RESPONSES BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO BEAT THE DEADLINE OF NOVEMBER 2ND. THERE IS AN ISSUE COMING UP ON THIS ELECTION, PROPOSITION IV, WHICH IS IDENTIFIED AS A HOMETOWN DEMOCRACY. IF THIS IS APPROVED, EVERY AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, SUCH AS THESE MANDATED REQUIREMENTS THE STATE IS REQUIRING THEM TO DO, WOULD HAVE TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT; EVERY MINUTE CHANGE WOULD HAVE TO BE SPELLED OUT AND IDENTIFIED AS A SPECIFIC CHANGE THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY THE VOTERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.

MR. DERUNTZ UPDATED THE BOARD ON FL-DCA HAVING SAID THEY NEEDED TO IDENTIFY AN EXISTING LAND USE MAP; THEY HAVE CREATED AN EXISTING LAND USE MAP THROUGH ASSISTANCE FROM WFRPC, WHO USED THE DATA BASE

FROM THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S RECORDS. HE SHOWED THE EXISTING LAND USE MAP TO INCORPORATE ALL THE LAND USE CHANGES THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN THE LAST EIGHT YEARS INCLUDING ANY CHANGES THAT OCCURRED WITHIN EACH INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY'S CORPORATE LIMITS.

MR. DERUNTZ EXPLAINED THERE WERE A COUPLE OF ELEMENTS IN THE PLAN THE STATE OVER THE PAST EIGHT TO TEN YEARS HAS ADDED INTO THE STATE STATUTES; ADDITIONAL POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES FOR ALL JURISDICTIONS WITHIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO INCORPORATE IT INTO THEIR PLANS. ONE OF THOSE ELEMENTS IS WATER QUALITY AND THE WCPC HAS WORKED VERY HARD TO ADDRESS THOSE OBJECTIVES BROUGHT OUT BY THE STATE. THE STATE IS LOOKING AT REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPING STANDARDS TO PROTECT THE SPRING SHEDS. THE OTHER ELEMENT WAS TO TRY AND BE MORE CONSCIENTIOUS IN THEIR BUILDING PROCESS TO BE MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT. THE STATE IS LOOKING AT THE TERM GREEN BUILDING SO THE COUNTY NEEDS TO WORK TOWARDS POLICIES AND GOALS TO ADDRESS THOSE TYPE OF ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY.

IN THE WCPC'S RECOMMENDED RESPONSE TO BOTH THOSE TWO ELEMENTS, THEY SAID THEY WOULD HAVE CITIZENS COMMITTEES DEVELOPED AND APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO LOOK INTO THOSE AREAS, DEVELOP GUIDELINE STANDARDS AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION BACK TO THE BOARD FOR FUTURE AMENDMENTS, BOTH TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AND MUNICIPAL CODE. THIS PROCESS WILL TAKE A COUPLE OF YEARS AND IS GOING TO BE VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE THESE COMMITTEES ARE GOING TO BE HAVING OUTREACH MEETINGS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY TO GATHER INFORMATION FROM THE CITIZENS AND TRY TO ENGAGE THEM INTO A DIALOGUE OF UNDERSTANDING WHAT THE GOALS ARE, ETC.

MR. DERUNTZ SHOWED A FILM PRESENTATION ON THE GOALS, OBJECTIONS AND COMMENTS; THEY HAD 14 OBJECTIONS, 32 COMMENTS AND 5 RECOMMENDATIONS AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO TRY TO IDENTIFY EACH OF THOSE. HE SHOWED A LISTING OF THE OBJECTIONS; THE WCPC LOOKED AT EACH OF THOSE AREAS AND LOOKED AT MAKING THE NECESSARY CHANGES TO ADDRESS ALL THOSE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN STATED ALL OF THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AND ANYONE CAN OBTAIN A COPY. MR. DERUNTZ ADVISED THAT WAS CORRECT AS THEY ARE OPEN AND TRY TO HAVE TRANSPARENCY IN ALL THEY ARE DOING.

MR. DERUNTZ CONTINUED WITH THE FILM PRESENTATION GOING THROUGH MAPS, SHOWING THE DIFFERENT LEVELS OF SERVICES IN THE ROAD PROJECT, AREAS THEY HAD TO INCORPORATE, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 5 AND 10 YEAR WORK PLAN. EACH OF THE COMMENTS WAS REFLECTIVE OF A PARTICULAR AREA IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; FL-DCA WAS LOOKING FOR WORD SMITHING. THEY WERE ALSO LOOKING AT WAS, IN THE DEFINITION OF THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL, IT SAYS IT WAS SUPPOSE TO BE IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS; IT IS ALSO IDENTIFIED IN AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE AREAS AND THE WCPC MADE THAT CHANGE TO INCORPORATE THOSE NEW COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES WOULD BE IDENTIFIED AS HOME OCCUPATIONS OR COMPATIBLE USES AND ARE GOING TO LOOK AT PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE LDC TO SPECIFY THOSE CRITERIA.

MR. DERUNTZ SAID THE WCPC WAS ALSO LOOKING AT THE MINIMUM LIGHT AREA REQUIREMENTS; AS THEY LOOK AT THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP, ALL THE LIGHT GREEN AREAS ARE AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE WHICH MAKES UP MOST OF THE COUNTY. BUT, WHEN THEY GO INTO WHAT IS REALLY GOING ON ON THE LAND, THEY CAN SEE THERE IS A LOT OF PROPERTY THAT HAS BEEN SUBDIVIDED OVER TIME. EVEN THOUGH THESE PROPERTIES ARE SUBDIVIDED, THEY DON'T MATCH UP WITH THE LAND USE MAP; THAT MAKES THESE PROPERTIES NOT CONFORMED USES AND THEY HAVE TO CHANGE THAT. ONE OF THE THINGS THE WCPC IS LOOKING AT IS INCORPORATING A RURAL ESTATES ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR THESE AREAS; PROPERTIES THAT HAVE BEEN SUBDIVIDED AND ARE EXISTING SUBDIVISIONS. THEY ARE GOING TO MATCH UP A LAND USE CLASSIFICATION SO THOSE WILL FIT AND THOSE AREAS WOULD BE CONFORMING USES. THEY WILL HAVE TO GO BACK TO THEIR FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND MAKE THOSE CHANGES IN A FUTURE AMENDMENT TO THEIR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SO THOSE EXISTING PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE COUNTY WILL BE LEGAL; THEY CAN MAKE ADDITIONS ON THEIR PROPERTY, DO THINGS ON THEIR PROPERTY WHERE AS IT IS RIGHT NOW, IT CREATES A CONFLICT. IT IS BECAUSE OVER-

TIME, THEY HAVEN'T KEPT UP WITH THINGS.

MR. DERUNTZ ADDRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF UPDATING THEIR EXISTING LAND USE MAP AND MAKING THEIR FUTURE LAND USE MAP REFLECTIVE OF THAT. THEY ARE GOING TO NEED TO APPOINT THESE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES; THERE IS ALSO AN ECONOMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND ENERGY CONSERVATION COMMITTEE. HE EXPLAINED THE ECONOMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE FUTURE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY; THEY NEED TO HAVE JOBS, ENHANCE THE TAX BASE, GET THE HISTORY IN THE PLAN AND DEVELOP PLANS AND A PROCESS TO DO THAT. THE COMMITTEES WOULD COME BACK AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD; THE BOARD WILL HAVE TO APPROVE THAT. HOPEFULLY, DURING THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING THIS COMMITTEE'S ACTION, THEY WILL BE ABLE TO ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY SO THEY BECOME KNOWLEDGABLE OF WHAT IS GOING ON; THAT IS SOMETHING THEY REALLY NEED TO WORK AT IN THE COUNTY. IF THEY ALL WORK TOGETHER, HE THINKS THERE IS A LOT THEY CAN ACCOMPLISH.

MR. GRAY WITH WFRPC ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO EXPLAIN EXACTLY WHAT IS BEING ADOPTED IN THE RESPONSE TO THE OBJECTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS REPORT FROM FL-DCA. THE BOARD IS ADOPTING THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES ONLY; THEY ARE ADOPTING THE CHANGES THEY HAVE UNDERLINED ON THE MAP DOCUMENTS ONLY. THEY ARE ADOPTING WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN ASKED TO ADDRESS BY THE FL-DCA IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMENTS GIVEN TO THEM BY ALL THE DIFFERENT STATE AGENCIES. THE AREAS WHERE HE WAS TASKED TO DO SOME WORK WAS THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT, EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE ELEMENTS IN THE COMP PLAN. HE WAS TO DO SOME WORD SMITHING; BUT, THERE WERE A COUPLE OF CRUCIAL THINGS THEY HAD PUT IN THERE. HE SAID THEY DIDN'T HAVE A DATE ON THEIR COMP PLAN; THEIR COMP PLAN WAS THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMP PLAN-2010. THEY PLAN FOR THE FUTURE; SO, THEY HAD TO CHANGE THE DATE AND TO DO THAT THEY HAD TO CHANGE THE DATE ON THE MAPS AND ON EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE ELEMENTS. HE SAID IF IT WAS THE CONSERVATION ELEMENT, IT IS NOW CALLED THE WASHINGTON COUNTY 20/20 CONSERVATION ELEMENT; THIS GIVES THEM THEIR LONG TERM HORIZON. FL-DCA HAD A

COMPLAINT THE COUNTY DIDN'T HAVE A LONG TERM PLANNING HORIZON IN THEIR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; THIS HAS NOW BEEN ADDRESSED.

MR. GRAY ADDRESSED THEY ALSO HAD AN ISSUE WITH THE COUNTY NOT HAVING ANY SHORT TERM PLANNING HORIZON; IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT, THERE IS A SHORT TERM FIVE YEAR OUTLAY OF ALL THE CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT OCCUR IN THE COUNTY TO INCLUDE THOSE OF THE SCHOOL BOARD. THERE IS ANOTHER PIECE THEY DIDN'T HAVE ON THE COMP PLAN; ACCORDING TO FL-DCA, IT WOULD APPEAR THE COUNTY WAS ADOPTING THE PIECES OF THE COMP PLAN THAT WERE SUPPOSE TO BE DEAD END ANALYSIS. THEY ADDRESSED THAT BY PUTTING IN A SENTENCE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, EACH ELEMENT, THAT SAYS THIS DATA ANALYSIS IS INTENDED TO SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION ONLY AND IS SUPPORTING THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES; BUT, NOT ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE. THE ORDINANCE THE BOARD IS LOOKING AT TODAY TO ADOPT AND SEND TO FL-DCA IS AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CHANGES MADE IN RESPONSE TO THE ORC; THOSE CHANGES ARE JUST IN THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES. HE EXPLAINED IF HE AND MR. DERUNTZ WANTED TO WORK TOGETHER IN A MONTH AND A HALF AND UPDATE THE SCHOOL PLAN AND PUT IT IN THERE, THEY DON'T HAVE TO HAVE AN AMENDMENT OF THIS COUNTY TO PUT IN THE NEW SCHOOL FACILITIES PLAN OR IF THERE IS A NEW ROAD PLAN FROM FL-DOT, THEY DON'T HAVE TO PUT THAT IN THERE AS AN AMENDMENT. IT CAN ACTUALLY GO IN THE PLAN AS A SUPPORT DOCUMENT LIKE IT SHOULD AT THE TIME AT WHICH IT IS PUBLISHED BY FL-DOT. WHAT THEY DO NEED TO BE CAREFUL WITH IS WHEN THEY REFERENCE THESE THINGS IN THE COMP PLAN, IF THEY REFERENCE THE 1998 FL-DOT WORKPLAN, THAT DOESN'T DO THEM A LOT OF GOOD. THEY HAVE TO BE CURRENT AND SAY THE 2010 WORKPLAN PROPOSED BY FL-DOT. HE EXPLAINED THEY HAVE BEEN CAREFUL IN MAKING THOSE ADJUSTMENTS AND CAREFUL IN THEIR COMP PLAN AND REFERENCE THINGS, MAKING SURE THEY ARE THE MOST UPDATED REFERENCE AVAILABLE. THAT WAS AN IMPORTANT COMPLAINT BY FL-DCA; THE COUNTY WAS INCONSISTENT. THEY DIDN'T LIKE THE COUNTY'S NUMBERS, YEARS, OUTLAYS, ETC; BUT, THEY HAVE ADDRESSED THEM. HE FELT LIKE THEY HAVE PUT TOGETHER A COMPLETE DOCUMENT AND

ADDRESSED THE ISSUES FL-DCA HAS RAISED; THIS IS A CULMILATION OF A LOT OF MR. DERUNTZ'S WORK AND HE CAME IN A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO AND THEY BOTH HAVE PUT A LOT OF EFFORT FORTH, NOT ONLY ON THE EXISTING LAND USE MAP, WHICH DIDN'T EXIST BEFORE THIS PROJECT. THIS IS A VERY INTERESTING TOOL THEY NOW HAVE AND FELT THEY SHOULD ALL TAKE A MINUTE TO LOOK AT IT. HE THOUGHT IT WAS AN INTERESTING TOOL TO LEARN WHAT THEIR PAST HAS DONE ON THE LANDSCAPE HERE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. THEY OUGHT TO ALSO PUT THAT IN RELATION TO WHAT THEY HAVE ADOPTED HERE IN THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP. IT IS INTERESTING TO SEE THE DISCONNECT BETWEEN THE TWO; OBVIOUSLY, IT IS NOTHING THEY CAN GO BACK AND FIX BUT THEY CAN CERTAINLY MOVE INTO THE FUTURE KNOWING A FEW THINGS THEY HAVE DONE IN THE PAST THAT WEREN'T WISE. IT BRINGS THEM MORE INFORMATION THAT MAKES THE PLANNING PROCESS MUCH EASIER FOR THE WCPC AND THE BOARD BECAUSE THE BOARD WILL ULTIMATELY VOTE ON THESE THINGS AND HE AND MR. DERUNZ ARE JUST TASKED WITH BEING THEIR STAFF. AS FAR AS HE HAS SEEN, THIS IS A GOOD PROJECT AND HE IS ASSURED BY WHAT HE HAS HEARD FROM FL-DCA AND VERY CURSORY COMMENTS ABOUT THIS PLAN, HE THINKS THEY ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING GOOD. HE NOTED FL-DCA COULD ALWAYS THROUGH A CURVE BALL AT THEM; BUT, MOST OF THE TIME THEY DON'T. THIS ONE SHOULD BE A GOOD PROJECT. THEY HAVE ADDED A NEW LAND USE CATEGORY; THE ESTATE RESIDENTIAL LAND USE CATEGORY. THEY HAVE ADOPTED NO ACRE IN THIS COUNTY INTO THIS CATEGORY. THIS CATEGORY SORT OF BRIDGES THE GAP BETWEEN THEIR DISCONNECT ON THEIR FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND THEIR EXISTING LAND USE MAP. IF THEY ADOPT ANY LAND USE CHANGES, THEY WOULD HAVE TO DO SOME DOCUMENTATION BEHIND IT AND SHOW THE INTENTION OF THE CHANGE. THEY HAVE A CATEGORY THAT IS UNUSED; BUT, HE THINKS IT IS A GOOD TOOL FOR THEM TO USE. THAT AGAIN WAS A RECOMMENDATION OF THE WCPC. HE RECOMMENDED THOSE PRESENT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING LOOK AT THE MAPS, LOOK AT WHERE THEIR HOUSE IS AND WHAT IS AROUND THEM.

MR. DERUNTZ INVITED ANYONE WHO HAD ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS TO COME AND ADDRESS THEM. NO ONE RESPONDED.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE HAD READ THROUGH SOME OF THE ORC REPORT RESPONSES AND FOUND SOME LITTLE THINGS THAT AREN'T EXACTLY RIGHT SUCH AS DESCRIPTIONS OF ROADS, ETC. HE ASKED IF THESE WERE THINGS THEY COULD CHANGE LATER ON AS THEY READ THROUGH THE RECOMMENDED RESPONSES TO THE ORC REPORT.

MR. GRAY ADVISED THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT COULD BE CHANGED LATER ON; THE THINGS THEY READ WERE IN THE SUPPORT DOCUMENT PORTION OF THE COMP PLAN. SO LONG AS IT IS NOT BEING ADOPTED, IT DOESN'T TAKE AN ACT OF CONGRESS TO CHANGE IT. ONCE THEY FIND AN ERROR, THEY CAN FIX AN ERROR.

IT WAS QUESTIONED IF ANY OF THESE LANDS ARE IN A LAND TRUST SO THEY CAN REMAIN FARMS. MR. DERUNTZ SAID IF IT IS DIFFERENT THAN WHAT THEY HAVE ON THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP, WHICH HE DOUBTS IT IF IT IS AGRICULTURE NOW AND THAT IS THE BASE LOWEST DENSITY THEY HAVE AND IT IS HIGHLY PROBABLE IT IS IDENTIFIED AS AGRICULTURE. IF THERE WAS ANY PROPOSED CHANGE THAT WOULD OCCUR, THAT WOULD BE DONE BY THE PROPERTY OWNER OR DEVELOPER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THAT PROPERTY OWNER THAT SUBJECT PROPERTY WITH THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT OR AGRICULTURE EASEMENT IS ON THAT PROPERTY. IT WOULD BE GOING FORWARD WITH THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED DURING THE AMENDMENT PROCESS. RIGHT NOW IT WOULDN'T BE IMPACTED; IF IT IS EXISTING AGRICULTURE, IT STAYS AGRICULTURE.

MR. SIMON SHEFFIELD ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY WAY TO PUT THE MAP OF THE STATE ROADS AND COUNTY ROADS ON THE SCREEN SO PEOPLE COULD SEE WHERE THE CHANGES ARE WITH THE ROADS; THEY NEED TO HAVE THAT UP WHERE THEY CAN COMPARE IT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED MR. DERUNTZ GIVE MR. SHEFFIELD A COPY OF THE INFORMATION HE REQUESTED. MR. DERUNTZ ADDRESSED WHAT MR. SHEFFIELD WAS TALKING ABOUT WAS THE FUTURE ROADS FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION; IT IS THE EXISTING ROADS OR ANY FUTURE ROADS AND THEY ARE IDENTIFYING IF THEY ARE A COLLECTOR ROAD, MAJOR COLLECTOR,

MINOR COLLECTOR, ARTERIAL ROAD, ETC.

MS. BAHR SAID MR. DERUNTZ HAD MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT THE SUBDIVISIONS NOT BEING IN COMPLIANCE AND ASKED IF HE COULD EXPLAIN THAT A LITTLE FURTHER. SHE QUESTIONED HOW ARE THEY NOT IN COMPLIANCE IF THEY ARE ALREADY IN A SUBDIVISION.

MR. DERUNTZ EXPLAINED IT IS ALREADY A SUBDIVISION OF RECORD; BUT, IT WASN'T INCORPORATED INTO THE COUNTY'S FUTURE LAND USE MAP. RIGHT NOW, THIS MEANS THERE ARE NON CONFORMING SUBDIVISIONS OF RECORD. THEY ARE IN A LAND USE CLASSIFICATION THAT IS PROBABLY AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE; BUT, WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE PROPERTY IS A RESIDENTIAL LAND USE ACTIVITY. AS SUCH, IT MAKES THOSE SUBDIVISIONS NON-CONFORMING USES SO THEY NEED TO MAKE THAT CHANGE TO MAKE THOSE AREAS CONFORMING.

MS. BAHR QUESTIONED HOW IS THAT GOING TO AFFECT SOMEONE WHO HAS BOUGHT THAT PROPERTY.

MR. DERUNTZ EXPLAINED IF SOMEONE BOUGHT IT, IT IS A BUILDABLE LOT; BUT, THEY WANT TO MAKE SURE ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS IN THE FUTURE ON THAT PROPERTY THAT IT ISN'T SUBDIVIDED TO MAKE IT MORE NON-CONFORMING.

MS. BAHR QUESTIONED HOW THEY WERE GOING TO EDUCATE PEOPLE ABOUT THIS.

MR. DERUNTZ SAID THEY WERE GOING TO GO THROUGH THE COUNTY AND LOOK AT SPECIFIC AREAS OF NON-CONFORMITY, HAVE LOCAL MEETINGS AND TALK ABOUT THIS; THEY WILL HAVE MAPS OF THOSE PROPERTIES AND SHOW THE DIFFERENCES. THE PERSON CAN'T INCREASE THE NON-CONFORMITY; THEY CAN CONTINUE TO USE WHAT THEY HAVE AND THAT IS NOT AN ISSUE; BUT, NON-CONFORMITY MEANS THERE IS A DISCONNECT AS TO WHAT THEY WANT THAT PROPERTY USED FOR IN THE FUTURE.

MS. BAHR QUESTIONED WHO MAKES THAT DECISION.

MR. DERUNTZ EXPLAINED THE BOARD MAKES THAT DECISION. WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO RIGHT NOW IS BE IN THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO MAKE THE PROPERTIES MATCH.

MS. BAHR QUESTIONED IF THE PEOPLE WOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS.

MR. DERUNTZ ADVISED THEY WOULD BE INVITED TO ATTEND THESE MEETINGS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT THIS TIME AND RECONVENED INTO REGULAR BOARD SESSION.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, PRESENTED MR. THEODORE SIMMONS A PLAQUE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR HIS SERVICE ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FROM AUGUST 2001 TO SEPTEMBER 2010.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION TO MR. SIMMONS AS HE SERVED ON THE WCPC FOR DISTRICT I.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, PRESENTED A PLAQUE TO MR. JOE TAYLOR EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FROM JULY 2005 TO JUNE 2010.

MR. TAYLOR STATED MR. KELLY BROCK WAS ON THE SCHOOL BOARD AT THE TIME HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE WCPC. HE THANKED MR. BROCK AND THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE ON THE WCPC.

MR. DERUNTZ TOLD THE BOARD MR. TAYLOR WAS VERY INSTRUMENTAL WHEN THE EAR PROCESS AND VISIONING MEETINGS STARTED BACK IN 2007-2008.

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

A. APPROVAL FOR CLERK OF COURT TO PAY VOUCHERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2010 TALLING \$2,565,469.09.

B. APPROVAL OF AMENDED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICES WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY PAYING \$5,278.42 MONTHLY FOR THE COST OF OPERATIONS OF THE BAY COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE.

C. APPROVAL OF INMATE MEDICAL INVOICE FOR \$13,300.75 AS IT EXCEEDS SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION OF COUNTY MANAGER.

D. APPOINTMENT OF NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, ROGER SLOAN, TO THE TDC UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2013.

E. MSBU EQUIPMENT NOTE PAYOFF TO CAPITAL CITY BANK ON THREE NOTES WITH BALANCES OF \$58,239.03, \$8,716.93 AND \$5,228.77 FOR A TOTAL OF \$72,184.73 EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2010.

F. LEASE RENEWAL WITH FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR PROBATION AND PAROLE BUILDING, 713 3RD STREET, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA AT SAME PRICE AS PREVIOUS LEASE; BUT, DOES NOT INCLUDE JANITORIAL SERVICES FROM THE COUNTY. LEASE PAYMENT IF \$41,571.12/YR.

G. CONTRACT FOR AUDITING SERVICES WITH CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2010 NOT TO EXCEED \$117,500.

AGENDAED ITEMS:

A. ORC REPORT RESPONSE-CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ADDRESSED A PUBLIC HEARING HAVING ALREADY BEEN HELD ON THE ORC REPORT RESPONSE AND SAID THEY NEEDED TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE ORC REPORT RESPONSE TO FL-DCA ON THE DISCREPANCIES IDENTIFIED WITH THE COUNTY'S 2010 EAR.

B. DIVISION OF FORESTRY/2009-2010 WASHINGTON COUNTY FIRE AND MITIGATION REPORT: JEFF JOHNSON, SENIOR FOREST RANGER SERVING JACKSON COUNTY AND THE NORTHERN PART OF WASHINGTON COUNTY FROM THE I-10 CORRIDOR NORTH, PROVIDED AND UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ANNUAL FIRE REPORT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY FROM JULY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2010. AS OF JUNE 30, 2010, A TOTAL OF 1204 ACRES WERE PLOWED IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, ONE FIFTEEN ACRE HAZARD MITIGATION BURN PROJECT WAS CONDUCTED WHICH TEN STRUCTURES WERE PROTECTED AT AN ESTIMATED VALUE OF \$800,000, ONE BURNING ASSISTANCE OF FIFTY ACRES. THE FL-DOF CHARGES \$108 AN HOUR FOR FIRE LINE PLOWING; \$18 AN ACRE FOR PRESCRIBED BURNING ASSISTANCE, AFTER THE FIRST FIFTY ACRES, THAT DOLLAR AMOUNT DROPS TO \$15 AN ACRE. THE FL-DOF FIRE CREWS ANSWERED A TOTAL OF 75 INCIDENTS WHICH 16 WERE WILD FIRES TOTALLING 78 ACRES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY THIS LAST YEAR. A TOTAL OF 9 NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS WERE ISSUED; 2375 TOTAL BURN PERMITS WERE ISSUED IN WASHINGTON COUNTY DURING FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010. OF THE 2375, 10,228 WERE AUTHORIZED ACRES BURNED WHILE 1,487 WERE AUTHORIZED PILE BURNS IN THE COUNTY. WASHINGTON COUNTY RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 42.53 INCHES OF RAINFALL DURING THE 2009-2010 FISCAL YEAR. RIGHT NOW THE DROUGHT INDEX FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY IS 610, WHICH IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. IT IS PREDICTED TO BE A LITTLE DRIER AND WARMER WINTER SEASON WHICH WILL BRING ON THE POTENTIAL FOR A MUCH GREATER FIRE SEASON LEADING INTO THE 2010-2011 YEAR. THE FL-DOF WAS ACTIVE IN SPREADING A FIRE PREVENTION MESSAGE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY WITH SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND PARADES; THERE WERE A TOTAL OF FIVE PREVENTION PROGRAMS THAT REACHED APPROXIMATELY 2,000 PEOPLE, CHILDREN INCLUDED. THE FL-DOF CONTINUES ITS LEASING PROGRAM THIS YEAR AND TITLE IV FEDERAL FUNDING WAS MADE AVAILABLE FOR MINOR EQUIPMENT FOR ALL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. AS ALWAYS, THE DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES, THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY HAS ENJOYED THE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY; IT IS THEIR GOAL TO CONTINUE THAT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY AND ITS CITIZENS.

AARON KINCAID UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE REPORT. THE COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL FORESTRY ASSISTANCE TO LANDOWNERS AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE FIELD OF FOREST MANAGEMENT. MR. KINCAID EXPLAINED MR. DANIEL YOUNG, SENIOR FORESTER, REFERS INDIVIDUALS AS NEEDED TO THE FORESTRY'S PRIVATE FORESTRY CONSULTANTS; TREE PLANTERS, TIMBER BUYERS, MECHANICAL OR CHEMICAL SITE PREPPING.

MR. KINCAID CONDUCTS SURVIVAL CHECKS TO ENSURE LANDOWNERS HAVE ADEQUATELY STOCKED THEIR STANDS OF LIVE SEEDLINGS FOR THE OPTIMUM RETURN ON THEIR INVESTMENT AND TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR COST SHARE PROGRAMS. MR. YOUNG ALSO ASSISTS WASHINGTON COUNTY LANDOWNERS WITH GENERAL FOREST MANAGEMENT ISSUES AND ASSISTING LANDOWNERS WITH FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS; THIS IS PROVIDING THE LANDOWNER WITH SOME KIND OF MONEY TO ASSIST HIM OR THE FORESTRY IS PROVIDING A FREE SERVICE.

MR. KINCAID ADDRESSED THE COGRASS TREATMENT COST-SHARE PROGRAM; COGRASS IS AN INVASIVE THAT HAS REALLY SHOWN ITS FACE HERE IN NORTH FLORIDA. THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY PROVIDES A 50% COST SHARE WITH THE LANDOWNER FOR TWO YEARS TO SPRAY FOR COGRASS. HE EXPLAINED THE FOREST STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM; THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY HAS 60 FOREST STEWARDSHIP LANDOWNERS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY COVERING 25,000 ACRES. ON THE FEDERAL PROGRAM ASSISTS THERE WERE 65 ASSISTS AND MR. YOUNG WORKED 715 HOURS ON THOSE FEDERAL PROGRAMS WHICH TIES TO MONEY FOR OUR CITIZENS; THIS TOTALLED 4360 ACRES WHICH MEANS A LOT OF PEOPLE BENEFITTED FROM THOSE FEDERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

MR. KINCAID REPORTED MR. YOUNG HAD 15 FOREST HEALTH INSPECTIONS AND WORKED 65 HOURS ON ABOUT 265 ACRES; THE MAJORITY OF THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN COGRASS. ON THE HARVESTING INSPECTIONS, MR. YOUNG DID 50 INSPECTIONS, WORKED 158 HOURS ON ABOUT 2480 ACRES THAT WERE THINNED, CLEAR CUT, ETC.

MR. TED EVERETT ASKED MR. KINKAID IF FORESTRY WAS USING ROUNDUP OR ARSENIOL ON THE COGANGRASS.

MR. KINKAID ADVISED THEY WERE USING BOTH; ON SOME OF THE COGANGRASS THEY ARE USING A DEUCES MIXTURE. THEY ARE TRYING TO GET IN THERE WHEN IT IS SEEDING; IT TAKES TWO TO THREE SPRAYINGS AND YOU HAVE TO BE REAL AGGRESSIVE AND SPRAY A BIG BUFFER AROUND IT.

MR. EVERETT QUESTIONED IF YOU COULD RATIO THE ARSENIOL AND THE ROUNDUP. MR. KINKAID ADVISED YOU COULD AND RECOMMENDED MR. EVERETT CONTACT DANIEL YOUNG AND HE WOULD TELL HIM HOW TO GET ON TOP OF THE COGANGRASS.

TED EVERETT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A SIDETRACK AGREEMENT WITH FOLEY PRODUCTS. THE BOARD PREVIOUSLY SIGNED A SIDETRACK AGREEMENT WITH CSX AND IN A LOT OF WAYS, THIS AGREEMENT ACTUALLY MIRRORS CSX AGREEMENT. THEY HAVE TWO AGREEMENTS, ONE WITH CSX AND ONE WITH FOLEY PRODUCTS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE TWO DIFFERENT RIGHT-OF-WAYS THEY ARE DOING THE RAIL SPUR ON. THE FIRST PART OF THE RAIL SPUR IS ON THE EASEMENT CSX HAS; THE RAIL SPUR IS GOING TO BE ON THE COUNTY PROPERTY WHICH REQUIRES THE COUNTY TO HAVE A SIDETRACK AGREEMENT WITH FOLEY PRODUCTS. THE CHAMBER HAS BEEN TALKING WITH FOLEY'S ATTORNEY FOR QUITE SOME TIME AND HAVE PRODUCED ADEQUATE DOCUMENTS WHICH PROTECTS THE INSPECTIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE TRACKS THEMSELVES; BUT, IT ALSO PROTECTS THE TAXPAYERS OF THIS COUNTY IN THE LONG RUN. THEY HAVE SHIFTED THE COST OF THE MAINTENANCE OF THE RAIL SPUR TO FOLEY PRODUCTS. IN THIS AGREEMENT, IT DEALS WITH A LOT OF THAT; IT INDEMNIFIES THE COUNTY IN A LOT OF SITUATIONS AND ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO INSPECT FOLEY'S INSPECTION REPORTS AND MAINTENANCE REPORTS. THE AGREEMENT HAS A HAZARDOUS WASTE CLAUSE IN IT. HE HAS GIVEN THIS AGREEMENT TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS READ IT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REFERRED TO TED HAVING SAID THERE HAD BEEN SEVERAL THINGS ADDED TO THE AGREEMENT. TED SAID THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL THINGS ADDED; ONE OF THE THINGS THEY WANTED TO DO WAS IN

SECTION 7, PAGE 4 SAID AT ONE POINT THE COUNTY SHALL ORDER THE RAIL CARS DIRECTLY FROM CSX ON BEHALF OF FOLEY PRODUCTS. THIS WAS CHANGED. IN SECTION 6, RIGHT-OF-WAY, THIS AMENDMENT CAN BE ADJUSTED MONETARILY; FOLEY PRODUCTS IS GOING TO BE PAYING THE COUNTY A SET AMOUNT OF MONEY. IN THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT FOLEY SENT, THAT WAS IT; THE AGREEMENT HAS BEEN AMENDED TO SAY THE COUNTY CAN CHANGE THAT MONEY DOWN THE ROAD. BASICALLY, IT WASN'T A BAD DOCUMENT TO START WITH; BUT, UPON INSPECTION OF IT, THERE WERE SOME THINGS THEY COULD DO TO PROTECT THE COUNTY AND THE TAXPAYERS OF THIS COUNTY AND THAT IS WHAT THEY DID. HE STATED THIS WAS A GOOD DOCUMENT FOR THE COUNTY AND THOUGHT IT ADDRESSED EVERYTHING THAT NEEDED TO BE ADDRESSED AND THEY NEEDED TO GET THIS BEHIND SO THEY CAN MOVE TO THE NEXT PART OF PROJECT PIPE OR FOLEY PRODUCTS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY INFORMED THE BOARD HE HAD REVIEWED THE SIDETRACK AGREEMENT THOROUGHLY AND IS SATISFIED WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD SIGNS THE SIDETRACK AGREEMENT TODAY, HOW QUICKLY ARE THEY GOING TO START DOING SOMETHING.

TED STATED THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE RAIL SPUR; THIS HAS TO DO WITH BASICALLY AFTER THE RAIL SPUR IS BUILT. THIS IS BASICALLY A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT THEY WILL HAVE WITH FOLEY PRODUCTS.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE SIDETRACK AGREEMENT WITH FOLEY PRODUCTS.

TED ADDRESSED THE BOARD NEEDS TO TAKE A LOAN OUT SO THEY CAN PAY CSX \$675,000 SO THEY HAVE AN EXECUTED CONTRACT WITH CSX. THERE IS AN ISSUE THE CSX RAILROAD ENGINEERING PLAN CAN BE REVISED AND LOOKED AT IN A COUPLE OF MONTHS AND IF THAT HAPPENS, THEY WILL PROBABLY BE WAY OUT OF WHACK WITH THEIR TIME LINE TO GET THIS THING DONE. HE HAS ASKED THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO TALK TO SOME LOCAL BANKS ON THE POSSIBILITY OF GETTING A LOAN; THE ONLY WAY HE WOULD ASK THEM TO TAKE A LOAN OUT ON BEHALF OF THIS PROJECT IS IF IN FACT

FOLEY IS WILLING TO PAY THE LOAN OFF WITHIN ONE YEAR IF HE HAS NOT STARTED VERTICAL CONSTRUCTION ACCORDING TO THE STATE STANDARDS; THEY WILL THEN GET THEIR \$2,000,000 RELEASED FROM THE STATE AND THEY CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PROJECT. HE ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAS ASKED THE BANKS FOR THIS INFORMATION, HE HAS LOOKED AT THIS INFORMATION THIS MORNING AND HE FEELS THEY HAVE AN IDEA OF WHICH WAY THEY WANT TO GO. HE SAID IF THE BOARD WANTS TO APPROVE THE LOAN CONTINGENT ON GETTING THE DOCUMENT FROM FOLEY, WHICH ACCORDING TO THEIR ATTORNEY DANIEL NUN WOULD BE FORTHCOMING VERY SOON, MAKING HIM AND HIS COMPANY RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT LOAN WITH INTEREST AT A YEARS PERIOD OF TIME IF HE HAS NOT STARTED VERTICAL CONSTRUCTION.

TED SAID THEY HAVE THE BANKS PROPOSALS IN FRONT OF THEM AND HE HAS REVEIUED THE INFORMATION. HE FELT LIKE THERE WERE THREE BANKS THAT LOOKED VERY GOOD FROM THE INFORMATION PROVIDED. HE TOLD THE BOARD THEY COULD GO AHEAD AND APPROVE THE LOAN SUBJECT TO THE LETTER FROM FOLEY OR THEY COULD WAIT UNTIL THEY HAVE THE LETTER AND DO BOTH AT THE SAME TIME.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF TED HAD TALKED TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY ABOUT THIS LOAN ALSO. TED EXPLAINED THIS WAS DISCUSSED AT THE LAST BOARD MEETING AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY SHOULD BE AWARE OF IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ASKED WHEN COULD THE BOARD GET THE LETTER FROM FOLEY. TED SAID HE HAD ASKED FOR THE LETTER WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE WORKING DAYS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECOMMENDED THE BOARD GET THE LOAN ONCE THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE LETTER FROM FOLEY. TED SAID THIS MAY REQUIRE A SPECIAL MEETING; THEY ARE VERY CLOSE TO GETTING EVERYTHING SQUARED AWAY. TED WENT THROUGH THE PROCESS; ONCE THE BOARD GETS THE LETTER AND APPROVES THE LOAN, HE WILL GET THE CHECK TO CSX. IT WILL TAKE CSX THREE TO FOUR MONTHS TO START WORKING ON THE RAIL SPUR; THAT AT THE SAME TIME WILL GIVE THE COUNTY THE ABILITY TO TALK WITH FOLEY ABOUT STARTING VERTICAL CONSTRUCTION. ONCE VERTICAL CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON THEIR MAIN MANUFACTURING FACILITY, THE SLAB AND WALLS, OTTED

WILL RELEASE THEIR \$2,000,000, CLIFF WILL GO OUT TO BID AND THE PROJECT BEGINS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON HOLDING A SPECIAL MEETING TO TAKE CARE OF THE LOAN. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW QUESTIONED COULDN'T THEY JUST RECESS THIS MEETING AND RECONVENE NEXT WEEK. ATTORNEY HOLLEY AGREED THEY COULD RECESS THIS MEETING AND SET A DATE TO RECONVENE TO TAKE CARE OF THE BANK LOAN. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO RECESS AT THE END OF THIS MEETING UNTIL WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27TH AT 3:00 P.M. TO TAKE CARE OF THE BANK LOAN.

VICE-CHAIRMAN HOWELL AND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENTED A PLAQUE TO CHAIRMAN HOLMAN EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR HIS SERVICE AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT IV, FROM NOVEMBER 2006 TO NOVEMBER 2010 AND SERVING AS CHAIRMAN THE LAST YEAR. COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION TO CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ESPECIALLY OVER THE LAST THREE MONTHS FOR THE CHARACTER AND DEDICATION HE HAS SHOWN.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THE ONLY REGRET HE HAS DURING THE FOUR YEARS HE HAS SERVED AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER IS THERE ARE 23,000 RESIDENTS, A LITTLE OVER 13,000 REGISTERED VOTERS AND IN THE PRIMARY THEY ONLY HAD 3,000 TO 4,000 THAT VOTED. IN HIS OPINION, IF YOU DO NOT VOTE, YOU DO NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND SAY ANYTHING ON THE WAY THIS BOARD CONDUCTS THEIR MEETINGS, ETC. HE REFERRED TO A SIGN HE HAD SEEN THAT CAUGHT HIS ATTENTION: "ELECTIONS HAS CONSEQUENCES; BUT, PRAY, THINK AND THEN VOTE." HE STATED IT HAD BEEN A PLEASURE, AN HONOR TO SERVE AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND HE WOULD BE AROUND TO HELP IN ANY WAY HE COULD. HE THANKED EVERYONE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CALLED FOR A FIFTEEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, MS. NAN THOMPSON ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON A FIRE IN THE COUNTRY OAKS AREA AT THE BEGINNING OF LAST WEEK; ONE OF THE COUNTY'S FIRECHIEFS WAS UNABLE TO RESPOND OR DID NOT RESPOND. EMS CONTACTED COUNTRY OAKS TO BRING OUT THE TANKER. THERE WASN'T ONE OF THE PEOPLE FROM COUNTRY OAKS ON THE SCENE AND QUESTIONED WHY COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT DIDN'T RESPOND.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN INFORMED MS. THOMPSON THE BOARD WOULD ADDRESS THAT SHORTLY AND FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON.

NICK GRANDE ADDRESSED THE BOARD SAYING IT HAS BEEN FIFTEEN YEARS SINCE THE COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZED; THEY HAD AS MANY AS EIGHTEEN MEMBERS. HE IS THE ASSISTANT CHIEF AT COUNTRY OAKS AND HE WORKS IS WHY HE WASN'T AT THE FIRE SCENE. THE OTHER PEOPLE THAT HE KNOWS OF THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE; ONE WAS WORKING AND ONE WASN'T AVAILABLE. HE ADDRESSED ED PELLETIER, FIRECHIEF, IS AN ELDERLY MAN; THEY STARTED OFF WITH EIGHTEEN PEOPLE THROUGH THE YEARS, BUILT THE PLACE UP FROM THE GROUND UP. HE ADDRESSED THROUGH THE YEARS, PEOPLE HAVE DIED, MOVED OR HAD TO BACK OFF BECAUSE OF HEALTH ISSUES; THE DEPARTMENT HAS DWINDLED SO FOR PEOPLE LIKE MS. THOMPSON WHO IS WONDERING WHY THERE WAS NO RESPONSE, HE THINKS SHE SHOULD ORGANIZE ALL THE PEOPLE SHE KNOWS, HERSELF INCLUDED, SO THEY CAN HAVE ANYBODY THEY WANT TO COME AND JOIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THERE IS NOT MUCH INVOLVED; 206 HOURS OF SCHOOL, 16 HOURS OF PRACTICAL TRAINING, A MEETING ONCE A MONTH, A WORKDAY ONCE A MONTH AND GET UP AT 2:00 A.M. OR 3:00 A.M. TO RESPOND TO FIRES. FOR ANY NAY SAYERS, COME AND JOIN THE DEPARTMENT AND THEY WILL HOOK THEM UP.

MS. THOMPSON SAID SHE WAS GOING TO BE ATTENDING SCHOOL IN JANUARY. SHE KNOWS MR. PELLETIER AND LIKES HIM VERY MUCH; HE HAS BEEN THEIR FIREFIGHTER BUT THE DOORS WERE LOCKED AT THE COUNTRY OAKS FIRE STATION. EMS CONTACTED SOMEONE TO TRY AND GET THE DOORS UNLOCKED SO THEY COULD GET THE TANKER OUT; THE HOUSE WAS A TOTAL LOSS AND PEOPLE IS HOMELESS. ORANGE HILL AND WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENTS WERE ON

THE SCENE AND BRENDA THOMPSON, COUNTRY OAKS FIREFIGHTER, WAS ON THE SCENE WITH A WATER HOSE; IF SHE WOULD HAVE HAD THE TANKER, THERE WERE PEOPLE THERE WHO COULD HAVE DONE SOMETHING. SHE UNDERSTANDS MR. PELLETIER IS UNABLE TO DO SO. SHE WROTE ON TOPICS SHE IS VERY ANGRY BECAUSE IT COULD HAVE BEEN HER HOUSE. SHE HAS NO PROBLEM JOINING THE VFD; BUT, QUESTIONED WHEN A KEY IS NEEDED, WHY WASN'T IT GIVEN.

MARY ANN PELLETIER, TREASURER OF THE COUNTRY OAKS VFD, INC., ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO ANSWER SOME OF MS. THOMPSON'S QUESTIONS. AS TO WHY THE FIRE STATION WAS LOCKED, BRENDA THOMPSON AND HER HUSBAND ARE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTRY OAKS VFD AND THEY HAVE A KEY TO SHARE. SHE GUESSES MR. THOMPSON WENT TO WORK THAT DAY WITH THE KEY SO MS. THOMPSON HAD NO WAY OF GETTING IN. MS. PELLETIER EXPLAINED THAT MS. THOMPSON HAS NOT BEEN AN ACTIVE FIREFIGHTER FOR OVER A YEAR; SHE DID NOT ATTEND TRAINING, THE CERTIFICATIONS AND SHE CAN'T DRIVE THE BIG TANKER TRUCK. IT IS NOT A FIREFIGHTING PIECE OF EQUIPMENT; IT BRINGS WATER TO A FIRE. THERE IS REALLY NO WAY OF PUTTING A FIRE OUT WITH IT; SOMETHING ELSE HAS TO BE THERE TO PULL THAT TANK OF WATER. AS MR. GRANDE SAID, OVER THE YEARS, AND JUST A YEAR AGO, COUNTRY OAKS VFD WAS HURT REALLY BAD WHEN THEY LOST THREE OF THEIR FIREFIGHTERS; TWO OF THEM WERE CERTIFIED AND HAD JUST FINISHED SCHOOL, WHEN THEIR HOMES BURNED WITHIN THREE WEEKS APART. THEY HAD TO MOVE OUT. THE REASON SOME OF THE VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS THEY OWN PROPERTY THERE AND THEY WANT TO COME BACK.

COUNTRY OAKS VFD IS OFFERING ALL THOSE WHO HAVE TAKEN THE TIME WITH THEIR FINGERS ON THE KEYBOARD TO COME OUT SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6TH STARTING AT 8:30 A.M. FOR A MEETING TRAINING DAY, WHICH IS THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH. THEY INVITED AND ENCOURAGED ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO COME TO ATTEND. SHE THANKED THE BOARD FOR THEIR SUPPORT OVER THE YEARS AS THEY KNOW HOW HARD IT HAS BEEN WITH ALL THE FUND RAISERS AND ALL THE THINGS THEY HAVE DONE. THE ONES THAT HAVE BEEN DOING ALL THE COMPLAINING, SHE HAS BEEN THE TREASURER AND SHE

HAS NEVER SEEN THEIR NAME ON A CHECK OR SEEN THEM AT ANY OF THEIR FUNCTIONS. IF SHE MISSED THEM, SHE APOLOGIZED. AS PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY SAID AND SHE PARAPHRASED; "ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COMMUNITY CAN DO FOR YOU; BUT, WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COMMUNITY."

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED MR. HAGAN TO GET A MEETING SET UP WITH THE COMMUNITY TO GET TOGETHER TO DISCUSS WHAT CAN BE DONE TO HELP THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY. HE ASKED THE COMMUNITY TO WORK TOGETHER; VOLUNTEER AND HELP OUT. HE HOPES THIS MATTER CAN BE RESOLVED AND COME TO A GOOD CONCLUSION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF COUNTRY OAKS VFD HAVE FIREMEN ON THE ROSTER AND THEY WERE OUT OF POCKET AT WORK, ETC. AND COULDN'T RESPOND TO THE FIRE.

MS. PELLEITER SAID THAT WAS CORRECT AND ADDRESSED THE FIRECHIEF HAS HAD SOME HEALTH PROBLEMS; HE IS EIGHTY FIVE YEARS OLD AND FOR FIVE YEARS HE HAS BEEN TRYING TO BE REPLACED AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TELLS HIM AS LONG AS HE CAN BREATHE, THEY WANTED HIM TO BE FIRECHIEF. WHEN IT WAS SAID NO ONE WAS AVAILABLE, BY THE NEW FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT THERE IS A LOT MORE STIPULATIONS AND YOU CAN'T PUT PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW HOW TO DO THESE THINGS WHEN THEY ARE SUPPOSE TO BE COVERED UNDER WORKERS COMP.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN REFERRED TO AN INCIDENT ON ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO; THERE WAS JUST ONE VFD FIREMAN THAT SHOWED UP FOR THAT FIRE INCIDENT FROM THE ORANGE HILL VFD. HE TOLD MR. HAGAN, COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND MR. PITTS THESE ARE ISSUES THEY NEED TO FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON.

MR. HAGAN TOLD COMMISSIONER HOLMAN THERE IS SOME INVESTIGATIONS GOING ON WITH THESE ISSUES NOW. MAYBE BEFORE THE NOVEMBER MEETING, HE CAN MAKE A FORMAL REPORT TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THIS IS PROBABLY A PROBLEM THEY HAVE IN EVERY VFD. HE KNOWS IN THE EBRO AND VERNON AREA, MOST OF THE VFD'S WORK OUT OF THE AREA DURING THE DAY. THEY HAVE PEOPLE ON THE ROSTER; BUT, DURING THE DAY, THEY JUST HAVE NOBODY TO RESPOND.

THIS IS SOMETHING THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO ADDRESS AT SOME POINT IN TIME. THEY KEEP SIDESTEPPING THE ISSUES ABOUT THESE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. THEY NEED TO CONTINUE TO WORK TOWARD TRYING TO COME TO SOME END TO HAVE SOME KIND OF PAID PERSON AT SOME OF THE FIRE STATIONS OUT IN THE COUNTY, EVEN IF IT IS ONLY AT FOUR STATIONS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ADDRESSED THERE IS SOME DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE UPSET BECAUSE THEY HAD TO GO TO A PURCHASE ORDER SYSTEM. THERE IS ONE DEPARTMENT THE BOARD IS GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH SOONER OR LATER.

MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON HE AND ROGER HAVING TALKED ABOUT THE FIRE ON CORA LANE AND ALSO MET WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE FIRE-FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION THERE THAT DAY. THERE ARE THINGS THEY CAN DO TO IMPROVE FIREFIGHTING SERVICE AND THEY ARE LOOKING INTO THAT. IT WAS MENTIONED THEY SHOULD AUTOMATICALLY HAVE TWO FIRE DEPARTMENTS RESPOND TO A STRUCTURE FIRE DURING THE DAY. THIS HAS ACTUALLY BEEN POLICY; BUT, FOR SOME REASON IT HAS NOT BEEN FOLLOWED THROUGH ON THROUGH THE 911 SYSTEM. THIS WILL BE BROUGHT UP AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THIS WAS A DISPATCH ISSUE WITH MR. PITTS SAYING HE THOUGHT IT WAS PRIMARILY A DISPATCH ISSUE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE THOUGHT OVER THE YEARS IT HAS BEEN A DISPATCH ISSUE DISPATCHING TOO MANY PEOPLE. HE ADDRESSED HE CAME BY THAT FIRE AND THE HOUSE HAD ALREADY CAVED IN; THERE WERE SO MANY PEOPLE THERE YOU COULDN'T HARDLY GET ANYWHERE TO FIGHT IT.

MR. PITTS TOLD THE BOARD THEY WERE GOING TO CONTINUE TO TRY AND IMPROVE THIS THE BEST THEY CAN WITH VFD'S UNTIL THE COMMISSION CAN DO BETTER WITH PAID MEN.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS HAVING A KEY PLACED SOMEWHERE AT THE FIRE STATION SO EQUIPMENT COULD BE ACCESSIBLE WHEN NEEDED.

MS. PELLETIER TOLD THE BOARD THEY HAD ALREADY TALKED ABOUT A KEY SYSTEM THAT WAUSAU AND ORANGE HILL HAS. HOWEVER, SHE THINKS THE

ISSUES WITH DISPATCH NEEDS TO BE WORKED OUT SO TIME IS NOT WASTED.

HOLLAND KENT, TREASURER OF THE ORANGE HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, WANTED TO ADDRESS MORE THAN ONE OF THE OHVFD FIREMEN RESPONDED TO MR. CORBIN'S HOUSE. HE THINKS WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP WAS ONE MAN SHOWED UP ON THE FIRST ENGINE; THE ENGINE DOESN'T SIT THERE FOR THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT TO SHOW UP. THE DEPARTMENT HAS RESPONDING FIREFIGHTERS THAT ARE COMING. THE GENTLEMAN THAT TOOK THE ENGINE TO THE SCENE AND STARTED THE PUMPING IN GEAR AND LINES WERE BROUGHT OUT WITH HELP FROM THE EMS. THE MAIN THING THAT TROUBLES HIM IS PEOPLE MAKE ACCUSATIONS AND HAVE OPINIONS ON THE MATTER. WHAT HAPPENED AT THE SCENE WAS SOMEONE APPROACHED THE LANDOWNER AT THE SCENE AT THE TIME OF THE FIRE. THE COMMENTS TO THE LANDOWNER WEREN'T GOOD AND TO HIM THAT DOESN'T HELP THE SITUATION. HE READ A STATEMENT INTO THE RECORD:

THIS PARTICULAR TYPE OF REACTION TO SUCH TRAGIC EVENTS LEAVES ME TROUBLED. THE VICTIMS ALONG WITH THEIR FAMILY DO NOT NEED TO BE SUBJEGATED TO SUCH HARMFUL AND SPITEFUL ATTACKS DURING A TIME OF GREAT LOSS. I IMPLORE YOU NOT TO ADD TO THE VICTIM'S ALREADY INTENSE SUFFERING. THIS KIND OF ATTACK ONLY HURTS VICTIMS MORE BY CREATING A VOID OF DISTRUST AND SENSE OF NEGLECT TOWARD THOSE WHO ARE ONLY TRYING TO HELP THEM. WE SHOULDN'T DIMINISH THE RESPONSE BY MISINTERPRETING. ALLOW THEM TO BE UPLIFTED BY THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO HELP WITHOUT THEIR MIND BEING CLOUDED BY UNINFORMED OPINIONS OR ACCUSATIONS. THE SAD TRUTH IS THIS TYPE OF REACTION HAPPENS ALL TOO OFTEN. NO MATTER HOW MUCH TIME VOLUNTEERS DEVOTE TO THEIR DEPARTMENTS WITH ONLY THE NOBLE DESIRE TO GIVE BACK TO THEIR COMMUNITY, THEY ARE ALWAYS THOSE THAT SHOW UP AT A SCENE, APPEAR ON THE NEWS OR ONLINE FORM LIKE TOPICS AND BELITTLE THAT SACRIFICE TO MAKE THAT DEVOTION SEEM ILLIGITIMATE. I KNOW THIS MIGHT SEEM LIKE A WAY YOU CAN HELP YOUR COMMUNITY; BUT, IN ESSENCE IT ONLY DETERIORATES IT. IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER AND POSSIBLY PUT THEIR LIFE AT RISK FOR OTHERS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN YOUR LOCAL VFD. I HAVE TO ASK THIS

BECAUSE LATELY IT SEEMS LIKE THE LINE TO JOIN OUR VFD'S ARE GROWING SHORTER. SOME OF THIS COULD BE BECAUSE PEOPLE HAD RATHER SIT BACK IN YOUR EASY CHAIRS AND COMPLAIN THAN ACTUALLY GET UP AND HELP. OTHERS ARE HESITANT BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO JOIN AND BE TARGETS OF SUCH ATTACKS. THIS CREATES A CONSTANT CIRCLE THAT ONLY GETS WORSE OVER TIME IF NOT PUT IN CHECK. THE MORE PEOPLE CRITICIZE RESPONSE; THE LESS PEOPLE WANT TO RESPOND AND THIS WILL NEVER END UNTIL THE TWO SIDES COME TOGETHER AND WORK OUT THEIR ISSUES. BELIEVE ME WHEN I SAY THIS, IT IS VERY STRESSFUL TO TRY AND HELP SOMEONE AND HAVE TO SIT BACK AND LISTEN TO ALL THE HATEFUL REMARKS THAT MAKE UP ALL THAT HARD WORK SEEM FOR NOTHING. WE HAVE TO REALIZE THIS TYPE OF CRITICISM ACCOMPLISHES NOTHING BUT BRING DOWN THE MORALE OF THE COUNTY VOLUNTEERS; IT WILL EVENTUALLY CAUSE SOME OF THEM TO RESIGN AND THOSE WHO REMAIN WONDER IF THEIR DEVOTION AND SACRIFICE TO THIS COUNTY IS EVER GOOD ENOUGH. THIS DOUBT ALSO AFFECTS THE VOLUNTEERS' DECISION TO RESPOND VERSUS REMAINING AT PAYING JOBS OR LEAVING LOVED ONES AT HOME WHO ALWAYS WORRY ABOUT THEIR SAFETY. I KNOW THIS COUNTY COMMISSION GROWS TIRED OF DEALING WITH WHAT SEEMS TO BE LIKE A CONSTANT ISSUE INVOLVING VFD'S; BUT, IF THIS BOARD ALONG WITH FIRE SISTERS FAILS TO COME UP WITH QUICK SOLUTIONS TO THESE AND OTHER PROBLEMS WITHOUT CAUSING MORE CONTROVERSY, I FEAR WE COULD LOSE EVERYTHING WE WORKED SO HARD TO ACCOMPLISH. THERE IS NO PERFECT RESPONSE TO ANY CALL. RESPONDERS AREN'T SITTING IN THE INTERSECTION WHEN THE WRECK HAPPENS OR IN THE FRONT YARD WHEN THE HOUSE CATCHES ON FIRE. THE RESPONSE CAN NEVER BE GOOD ENOUGH TO MAKE UP FOR THE LOSS. THE ONLY GOOD RESULT THAT COULD COME OUT OF ANY CALLS IS NO ONE GETS HURT OR KILLED. KEEPING THE FIRE ACCIDENT FROM EVEN OCCURRING WOULD BE THE BEST THING; BUT, WE ALL KNOW HOW LIFE IS. THINGS GO WRONG, BAD THINGS HAPPEN; IT IS UP TO US TO BE ABLE TO REACT PROPERLY WHEN THESE THINGS ARE HAPPENING. EVERY DEPARTMENT IN THIS COUNTY IS FULL OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO HELP. THESE ARE GOOD PEOPLE. DON'T BE SO QUICK TO JUDGE THEM; RATHER, BE QUICK TO ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP THEM. I WILL

BE THE FIRST TO AGREE THERE ARE MANY THINGS WE CAN DO TO HELP IMPROVE FIRE PROTECTION. I BELIEVE THINGS LIKE THE PURCHASE ORDER SYSTEM, COUNTYWIDE TRAINING PROGRAMS, MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS AND A CONTINUING EFFORT TO INCREASE WATER STORAGE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY ARE STEPS IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. BUT, WE DO HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THESE IMPROVEMENTS; LETS STOP ALL THE BICKERING, FINGER POINTING AND WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE WHAT WE HAVE. WE WOULD HOPE IF ANYONE IN THE COMMUNITY HAD ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS OR COMPLAINTS, THEY WOULD BRING THEM TO OUR ATTENTION OR ATTEND ONE OF THE MEETINGS LIKE THIS ONE. WHAT WE CAN DO IS FACILITATE THEIR NEEDS AND WORK TOGETHER TO PROVIDE BETTER SERVICE. WE UNDERSTAND YOU ONLY WANT WHAT IS BEST FOR YOUR COMMUNITY AND THIS COUNTY;SO DO WE, THAT IS WHY WE VOLUNTEER.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED MR. KENT TO LET MS. FINCH MAKE A COPY OF WHAT HE READ SO SHE COULD GIVE IT TO DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SO IT COULD BE PUT IN THE RECORD.

MR. KENT WANTED IT CLARIFIED HE IS THE TREASURER OF THE ORANGE HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HE SUPPORTS THE PURCHASE ORDER SYSTEM. HE WOULD HOPE WHOEVER SAID THEY THOUGHT ONE OF THE DEPARTMENTS WAS NEGATIVE TOWARD THE PO SYSTEM, THEY WEREN'T TALKING ABOUT THE ORANGE HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT. HIMSELF, HE THINKS THE PO SYSTEM IS A VERY GOOD THING FOR THE COUNTY; THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF WHAT IS MADE PURCHASE WISE. IF THERE IS ANY QUESTIONS, MR. KENT SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THEM NOW AND HELP IN ANY WAY HE CAN.

COMMISSIONER PATE REITERATED WHEN HE CAME BY, THE MIDDLE OF IT HAD ALREADY COME DOWN AND THERE WERE FIRETRUCKS, PEOPLE, CARS, ETC. THERE AND HE SLOWED DOWN TO GET BY; HE DIDN'T EVEN ENTERTAIN THE IDEA OF TALKING TO ANYONE.

MR. KENT SAID NOT BEING ABLE TO PARK IS A GOOD THING; THAT MEANS THERE IS A LOT OF FIRETRUCKS THERE AND PERSONNEL ON SCENE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE YARD WAS FULL OF PEOPLE; NOW WHAT WAS GOING ON, HE DON'T KNOW. AS FAR AS WHO WAS THERE OR WHATEVER, HIS WHOLE THING ALL ALONG HAS BEEN THE CALL OUT. HE DON'T KNOW THE

PROCEDURE AS TO WHO GETS THERE AND MAKES THE CALL TO SEND SOMEBODY ELSE, ETC. IF YOU HAVE THAT MANY PEOPLE AT ONE FIRE, DID SOMETHING BREAK DOWN.

MR. KENT SAID IT WASN'T THAT WAY THE FIRST ARRIVAL; THIS TAKES TIME FOR THAT EQUIPMENT TO BUILD UP. ORANGE HILL ENGINE SHOWED UP WITHIN THE FIRST TEN OR ELEVEN MINUTES; BUT, PEOPLE HAVE TO LEAVE THEIR JOBS, GET TO THE STATION, GET THEIR GEAR ON, OPEN THE DOORS, CRANK THEIR TRUCK; THEY ARE NOT SITTING THERE READY TO GO. HE SAID CHIPLEY AND WAUSAU WERE CALLED; THE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS ARE OUT THERE. THE DISPATCH HAS THE PROTOCOL TO DISPATCH MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT AT A HOUSEFIRE; JUST LIKE IF THERE IS A WRECK WITH ENTRAPMENT, THE NEAREST RESCUE DEPARTMENT IS DISPATCHED ALONG WITH THE NEAREST RESPONDING TO HELP THEM WITH THE SCENE BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF THINGS TO DO AT A WRECK. HE HAS BEEN DOING THIS ELEVEN YEARS; HE STARTED THIS DEPARTMENT WHEN HE COME UP TO LARRY ENFINGER WHO WORKED TOGETHER WITH THE STATE TO BUILD ORANGE HILL TO ASK WHAT HE COULD DO TO HELP. HE DID EVERYTHING MR. ENFINGER TOLD HIM THEY NEEDED TO DO AND IT SEEMS LIKE SINCE THEY STARTED, THEY HAVE BEEN BEAT DOWN ON EVER SINCE THEY STARTED.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED MR. HAGAN, MR. PITTS AND ANYONE ELSE THEY MAY NEED TO WORK TOWARD THESE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP.

JESSE SASSER, 5130 PINE RIDGE DRIVE, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA. HE ASKED A QUESTION ABOUT THE SHADE MEETING THAT WAS CONDUCTED A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO ON THE SIKES SAND PIT ISSUE. HE BELIEVES AS A RESULT OF THAT LAST SHADE MEETING, THE DECISION WAS MADE TO TERMINATE NEGOTIATIONS. HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE BOARD TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS THEY TOOK AT THE SHADE MEETING SO THE RESULTS OF THE SHADE MEETING CAN COME INTO THE PUBLIC EYE SO THEY CAN GET THE RECORDS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THAT ACTION. THIS BOARD MADE THE DECISION, HE BELIEVES TO CEASE THE NEGOTIATIONS AND DENY THE PERMIT FOR THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION; BUT, THE SHADE MEETING IS PRIVATE UNTIL IT IS ACTUALLY VOTED ON IN THE PUBLIC HE BELIEVES.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY WHERE THE BOARD STANDS AS FAR AS GIVING INFORMATION ABOUT THE SIKES SITUATION.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE PUBLIC IS ENTITLED TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED AT THE MEETING.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF ALL THE MINUTES HAD BEEN DOCUMENTED ON THE SIKES CASE. MR. PITTS SAID HE HAS NOT SEEN A COPY OF THE MINUTES; HE WOULD THINK THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD COME FROM THE ATTORNEY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE RESULTS OF THAT SHADE MEETING WERE REPORTED TO MR. SIKES AND HIS ATTORNEY AND FROM WHAT HE UNDERSTANDS, THE COUNTY IS WAITING ON A RESPONSE FROM THEM. ONCE THEY GET A RESPONSE FROM MR. SIKES AND HIS ATTORNEY, EVERYTHING CAN BE MADE PUBLIC.

MR. PITTS SAID HE WOULD NOT WANT TO MAKE ANY DECISION ON WHAT WAS DISCLOSED IN THE SHADE MEETING UNTIL MR. DUFFY ADVISES THEM TO DO SO. HE FEELS THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THE CASE WILL END BACK UP IN A SHADE MEETING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY AGREED MR. DUFFY IS THE ONE THAT NEEDS TO ADVISE THE BOARD WHAT TO DO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY COULD INSTRUCT MR. PITTS TO CALL MR. DUFFY TO MOVE THIS PROCESS ALONG.

MR. SASSER ADDRESSED THE SITUATION THIS BOARD IS FACED WITH IS THIS BOARD HAS MADE A DECISION IN A SHADE MEETING; THE MAKE UP OF THE BOARD IS FIXING TO CHANGE AND IT CAN CHANGE THE OUTCOME OR CHANGE THAT DECISION. IT WOULD BEHOOVE THIS BOARD TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS THEY TOOK IN THAT SHADE MEETING TODAY SO THAT IT WOULD BE IN THE PUBLIC THEY ARE NOT APPROVING THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION PERMIT. THEN MR. SIKES WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF REAPPLYING.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. SASSER THE BOARD WOULD LET MR. PITTS CHECK WITH MR. DUFFY ON WHAT THEY CAN DO AT THIS TIME. THEY ARE NOT GOING TO DO ANYMORE THAN WHAT THE ATTORNEY ADVISES THEM TO DO WITH WHAT THEY HAVE ALREADY DONE.

MR. PITTS TOLD MR. SASSER WHAT MR. DUFFY HAS EXPLAINED TO HIM IS WHEN THESE NEGOTIATIONS BROKE OFF, THE NEXT MOVE WAS SIKES AND SIKES NOR HIS ATTORNEY HASN'T DONE ANYTHING SINCE THAT DAY. THE SUIT IS AGAINST THE COUNTY FILED BY MR. SIKES AND HIS ATTORNEY; THE NEXT MOVE IS THEIRS OR THE NEGOTIATIONS FAIL.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO SIKES WARNING LETTER DATED 8-5-10; IT GOES ON TO LAY OUT FL-DEP'S RESPONSIBILITIES AND WHAT THEY ARE DOING. BUT, IT ALSO IS SAYING SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE CAUSING THE MOST PROBLEMS AND HE GAVE AN EXAMPLE; "BUREAU STAFF HAS NOT MADE OR PROVIDED ANY RECOMMENDATION TO THE OPERATOR CONCERNING ACCESS TO PUBLIC ROADS." COMMISSIONER PATE SAYS HE BELIEVES SIKES HAS CLOSED THAT ONE GOING OUT TO HIGHWAY 77. THE LETTER GOES ON AND MENTIONS THE BUFFER ZONE SIKES PUSHED DOWN; THAT IS PART OF THE COUNTY'S PERMIT.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED THAT ALL PERTAINS TO THE CASE THE COUNTY FILED AGAINST SIKES; THE INJUNCTION THEY FILED AGAINST SIKES.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THIS IS STILL IN COURT AND NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE. HE QUESTIONED IF THAT IS CORRECT.

MR. PITTS SAID TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, THIS CASE HAS NOT BEEN BEFORE A JUDGE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY FILED THIS INJUNCTION.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IN THE MEAN TIME, SIKES IS GOING ON JUST LIKE HE HAS BEEN FOR NEARLY TWENTY YEARS. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THERE AGAIN, THE BOARD HASN'T CHARGED ANYBODY WITH THE COUNTY TO TAKE THAT RESPONSIBILITY AND MAKE SURE HE IS DOING WHAT HE SHOULD BE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE BOARD NEEDS TO COME UP WITH A LIST OF DEFICIENCIES THEY HAVE.

MR. SASSER REITERATED A DECISION WAS MADE BY THIS BOARD IN A MEETING TO TAKE AN ACTION AND THEY CAN RATIFY THAT ACTION IN THE PUBLIC AND MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS OR THEY CAN CONTINUE TO DILLY DALLY, ETC. AND APPARENTLY THAT IS WHAT IS GOING TO BE DONE. THE CITIZENS HAVE DEALT WITH THIS ISSUE, VIOLATIONS; THEY HAVE BEEN BROUGHT BEFORE THIS BOARD FOR MONTHS AND MONTHS AND MONTHS. YES,

SIKES IS VIOLATING FL-DEP. FL-DEP HAS AT LEAST GIVEN SIKES A WARNING LETTER TELLING HIM HE NEEDS TO DO SOMETHING. THIS COUNTY HAS FILED AN INJUNCTION; IT TOOK THEM TWO MONTHS TO DO THAT AND IT IS STILL SITTING SOMEWHERE IN LIMBO AND HE UNDERSTANDS YOU CAN'T TELL A JUDGE WHAT TO DO. BUT, THAT JUDGE HAS A BOSS TOO.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON JUDGE REGISTER HAS TAKEN THE POSITION HE IS FIXING TO GO TO A DIFFERENT COUNTY AND HE IS NOT SCHEDULING ANY NEW CASES UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR.

MR. SASSER SAID THE SIKES CASE WOULD NOT BE A NEW CASE; IT IS AN EXISTING CASE HE WOULD RULE OVER.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID JUDGE REGISTER IS NOT SCHEDULING ANY HEARINGS ON CASES UNTIL HE GETS DOWN THERE. THE COUNTY WILL HAVE A NEW JUDGE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY BY THE END OF THE YEAR; THEY ROTATE THE JUDGES AROUND LIKE THAT PERIODICALLY.

MR. SASSER SAID SO THEY ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO HAVE MONTHS AND MONTHS OF EXCAVATION INTO THE INTERMEDIATE ACQUIFER, REMOVAL OF SAND BEYOND THE PERMIT ALLOWANCE WHILE HE HAS DECIDED TO NOT DO SOMETHING.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID UNTIL THE JUDGE TELLS SIKES TO STOP CONSTRUCTION OR TELLS HIM HE CAN CONTINUE, IT IS OUT OF THE BOARD'S HANDS. THEY CAN'T GO DOWN THERE AND JUST STOP MR. SIKES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE BOARD COULD ASK MR. PITTS TO GET WITH MR. DUFFY BETWEEN NOW AND THEIR MEETING NEXT WEEK TO SEE IF THEY CAN'T COME UP WITH SOMETHING.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE BELIEVES JUDGE REGISTER SOME TIME AGO MADE A RULING ON THIS AND IT WAS RESCINDED LATER ON; THIS IS NOT A NEW CASE FOR HIM. THE INJUNCTION MAY BE; BUT, THE SIKES CASE IS NOT A NEW CASE. PATE SAID HE WAS HANDED A COPY ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE MONTHS AGO WHERE JUDGE REGISTER HAD MADE A RULING ON IT AND THEN LATER ON HE RESCINDED IT BECAUSE OF SOME TECHNICALITY. JUDGE REGISTER IS FAMILIAR WITH THIS CASE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED MR. PITTS CHECK WITH MR. DUFFY ON THE SIKES CASE AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY CHECK AS FAR AS THIS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD THIS WAS HIS LAST DAY; THE NEW ATTORNEY WILL BE HANDLING IT FROM NOW ON.

SHARRON BAHR, SUNNY HILLS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON A SURVEY SHE HAD RECEIVED IN THE MAIL SUPPOSEDLY PUT OUT BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING THE SUNNY HILLS/OAK HILL MSBU AND SHE IS A LITTLE CONFUSED. SHE HAS OWNED PROPERTY IN SUNNY HILLS FOR OVER THIRTY YEARS; FOUR YEARS AGO HER HUSBAND RETIRED FROM THE MILITARY AND THEY MOVED TO SUNNY HILLS AND BUILT. THE MSBU WAS ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE SERVICES BEYOND AND ABOVE WHAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES AND ASKED IF THAT WAS CORRECT. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THAT WAS CORRECT.

MS. BAHR SAID SHE WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION TO MAINTAIN AND EXPAND STREET LIGHTING, THE CUTTINGS OF GRASS, EXPANDING THE FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, ROAD RESURFACING PROJECTS, STORM DRAINAGE ENHANCEMENTS AND GENERAL BEAUTIFICATION ON A REGULAR BASIS.

MS. BAHR EXPLAINED SHE HAS BEEN IN SUNNY HILLS FOUR YEARS AND THE FIRST YEAR HER GRASS GOT CUT ABOUT THREE TIMES. SHE UNDERSTANDS THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TWO OF THOSE CUTTINGS AND THE MSBU FUNDS THE 3RD, 4TH OR 5TH CUTTINGS. THE SECOND YEAR SHE WAS HERE HER GRASS GOT CUT TWICE; THIS YEAR, AND IT REALLY BOTHERS HER, HER GRASS HAS BEEN CUT ONE TIME AND THIS IS NOVEMBER. SHE DOESN'T SEE ANY OF THE FUNDS FROM MSBU BEING USED THE WAY THEY WERE ORIGINALLY INTENDED. SHE DOESN'T SEE EXPANDED EMERGENCY SERVICES, LIGHTING; THERE IS VIRTUALLY NO LIGHTING ON ELKCAM AND VERY LITTLE ON DELTONA AND COUNTRY CLUB. THE MAJORITY OF THE LIGHTING SEEMS TO BE ON SUNNY HILLS BOULEVARD, WHICH IS THE MAIN ENTRANCE. THAT HAS BEEN THERE FOR A WHILE; SO HAS THE BEAUTIFICATION. SHE DOESN'T SEE ANY MORE FIRE HYDRANTS OR MAINTENANCE OF THEM; SHE SEES PRISONERS DOING CUTTINGS, WHICH SHE ASSUMES IS WHAT THE COUNTY USES BUT SHE ALSO SEES IN THE MSBU REPORTS THAT SALARIES ARE BEING PAID OUT FOR THIS. SHE DOESN'T SEE THIS BEING ACCOMPLISHED AND SHE IS VERY CONCERNED. SHE REFERRED TO TODAY ON THE BOARD'S AGENDA, SHE SEES THE BOARD WANTS AN MSBU EQUIPMENT NOTE PAYOFF. ACCORDING TO THE LAST MEETING WHEN

SHE WAS HERE, AND SHE TALKED TO MR. HOWELL, HE SAID THERE WAS OVER \$600,000 OF MSBU MONEY IN THE BANK THAT WAS SUPPOSE TO BE USED FOR SUNNY HILLS AND COUNTRY OAKS. SHE SAID SHE CAN UNDERSTAND THE \$72,184.73 BEING USED FOR THE PAYOFF ON THE EQUIPMENT; BUT, WHY ISN'T THE REST OF THE MONEY BEING USED FOR WHAT IT IS SUPPOSE TO BE USED FOR SUCH AS BEAUTIFICATION, DO EXTRA CUTTINGS, ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, FIRE HYDRANTS AND IMPROVED EMERGENCY SERVICES NOT EXCLUDING THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND EMS, ETC. SHE ASKED FOR AN EXPLANATION WHY THAT MONEY IS SITTING IN A BANK AND NOT BEING USED FOR WHAT IT WAS SUPPOSE TO BE USED FOR. SHE SAID MR. HAGAN IS THE COORDINATOR FOR THE MSBU AND SHE CALLED A COUPLE OF TIMES TO ASK HIM QUESTIONS AND SHE JUST REALIZED TODAY WHO HE IS. SHE SEES HIM AT EVERY MEETING. BUT, HE DOESN'T ANSWER HIS PHONE WHEN RESIDENTS CALL HIM AND ASKED WHY IS THAT. SHE ALSO QUESTIONED HOW MANY HATS DOES MR. HAGAN WEAR FOR THE COUNTY. SHE WAS AT THE WAUSAU TOWN HALL AND SAW MR. HAGAN'S NAME ON A PLAQUE IN THE BOARD ROOM; SHE UNDERSTANDS HE IS PART OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE COUNTY. IF HE WEARS THIS MANY HATS, HOW CAN HE REALLY DO HIS JOB FOR THE MSBU IN SUNNY HILLS. SHE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND AND SHE IS ASKING TODAY WHY THAT MONEY IS NOT BEING USED FOR WHAT IT WAS SUPPOSE TO BE USED FOR AND WHY THE RESIDENTS SHOULD LET THE BOARD HAVE CONTROL OVER MSBU CONTINUALLY IF THEY ARE NOT GOING TO DO ANYTHING WITH IT FOR SUNNY HILLS. THERE ARE OVER 15,000 LOTS THAT PAY \$30.00 PLUS A YEAR GIVING THE COUNTY A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR SUNNY HILLS AND IT IS NOT BEING USED CORRECTLY AND SHE THINKS THE RESIDENTS OF SUNNY HILLS DESERVES AN ANSWER.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO MS. BAHR WITH HER NOT BEING HERE AND HAVING HISTORY ON MSBU, ADVISED THERE IS AN ASSESSMENT AND THERE IS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT HAS BUILT UP IN THE MSBU. THE REASON THE COUNTY CONTROLS IT NOW IS BECAUSE THE PEOPLE OF SUNNY HILLS COULD NOT CONTROL IT; ALL THEY DID WAS FIGHT ABOUT IT. LAST YEAR THE COUNTY TOOK IT OVER AND BEGAN TO DEAL WITH IT. THE BOARD HAD A COUPLE OF THINGS IN MIND TO DO LAST YEAR AND

THEY HAD A LOT OF RESISTANCE FROM THE COMMUNITY; THEY BACKED OFF AND DECIDED TO TAKE A LOOK AT MSBU, DO A SURVEY TO SEE WHAT THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY DO WANT. THAT IS WHAT THE BOARD IS TRYING TO DO AND THE SURVEY WILL HELP DECIDE WHAT GETS DONE DOWN THERE. IF THERE IS A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO FEEL LIGHTING IS IMPORTANT, THAT WILL BE A PROJECT MR. HAGAN WILL TAKE AND GO THROUGH WITH. THERE IS ALSO A QUESTION ON THE SURVEY IF THE PEOPLE WANT THE MSBU TO CONTINUE OR NOT. IF IT COMES BACK WHERE THE PEOPLE DON'T WANT THE MSBU TO CONTINUE, THEN IT WON'T. THIS BOARD IS IN AGREEMENT IF THAT IS WHAT COMES BACK ON THE SURVEY, THE MSBU IS GOING TO GO AWAY ONCE THE LOAN IS PAID OFF ON THE ROADS DOWN THERE IT WILL GO AWAY AND THEY WON'T HAVE THAT ASSESSMENT ANYMORE. THEY WON'T GET THAT ONE OR TWO EXTRA MOWINGS A YEAR; THEY WON'T GET ANY EXTRA STREET LIGHTING UNLESS THEY PAY FOR IT THEMSELVES OFF THEIR GULF POWER BILL, ETC.

MS. BAHR SAID SHE WAS NOT GETTING THE EXTRA CUTTINGS NOW; SHE IS NOT EVEN GETTING HER SECOND CUTTING FROM THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT; MAYBE SHE IS RIGHT OR MAYBE SHE IS NOT RIGHT. BUT, THERE IS A LOT OF MOWING GOING ON DOWN THERE; THEY JUST SPENT SEVERAL WEEKS DOWN THERE ON A TRACTOR.

MS. BAHR SAID THE PERSON BUSHHOGGED; HE HACKED THE GRASS BUT DIDN'T CUT IT. THERE ARE OVER 15,000 LOTS THAT ARE PAYING THE MSBU ASSESSMENT; THEY ARE NOT BUSHHOGGING THE WHOLE AREA. THERE ARE OVER 200 MILES OF ROADS IN SUNNY HILLS; THEY ARE CUTTING MAYBE 28 MILES OF ROADS.

MR. PITTS SAID ONE REASON FOR THAT IS THEY HAVE TWO LAWNMOWERS OUT OF EIGHT AND THEY HAVE BEEN WAITING ON THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY BEFORE GOING OUT AND BUYING MORE LAWNMOWERS TO SEE WHAT THE MSBU COMMUNITY WANTS. THERE IS NO REASON TO BUY MORE LAWNMOWERS IF THE COMMUNITY DOESN'T WANT THE SERVICES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD MS. BAHR THE BOARD WAS POISED, READY TO DO WHAT THAT COMMUNITY WANTS THEM TO DO WITH THAT MONEY; THEY DON'T

USE THAT MONEY ANYWHERE BUT SUNNY HILLS. THE SALARIES MS. BAHR REFERRED TO WERE SALARIES FOR INMATE SUPERVISORS OUT OF THE MSBU FUND TO SUPERVISE THOSE INMATES TO DO THE MOWING AND WHATEVER ELSE THEY DO DOWN THERE. THEY ARE ALSO SENDING THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC WORK CREWS TO SUNNY HILLS TO DO SHOULDER DEVELOPMENT, STREET PATCHING, ETC., IN ADDITION TO WHAT THE MSBU CREWS ARE DOING.

MS. BAHR STATED SHE DOESN'T SEE THE MSBU CREWS DOING ANYTHING. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THAT MAY BE A GOOD THING THAT MS. BAHR DON'T SEE THEM; BUT, THEY ARE OUT THERE DOING THINGS, BELIEVE HIM. THEY HAVE TWO CREWS IN SUNNY HILLS.

MR. HAGAN SAID HE WOULD CHECK WITH HIS STAFF ON THE CALLS MS. BAHR SAID SHE MADE AND IF THERE IS A CALL HE HASN'T RETURNED HE APOLOGIZED. HOWEVER, HE HAS ALWAYS RETURNED ALL THE CALLS HE GETS; HE GOES INTO THE COMMUNITY TO GET THE PEOPLE TO SHOW HIM WHAT THEY ARE REQUESTING. HE ASKED MS. BAHR WHAT STREET SHE LIVES ON.

MS. BAHR SAID SHE LIVES ON VOYAGER.

MR. HAGAN REPORTED MR. SCHAFFER HAS JUST TOLD HIM THEY HAVE JUST COMPLETED THE MOWING SEASON AND ALL THE ROADS ARE MOWED AND MOWED MORE THAN ONE TIME. AS THE MSBU COORDINATOR AND HE KNOWS THE BOARD AGREES WITH THIS, IT IS HARD TO ENHANCE WHAT WE DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE DONE. THERE MAY NEED TO BE SOME COORDINATION DONE BETWEEN WHAT IS A PUBLIC WORKS SCHEDULE AND THEN WHERE DOES MSBU FALL BEHIND THAT. PRIMARILY HE AGREES WITH THE COMMUNITY THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS WHAT MOWING HAS BEEN DONE HAS PROBABLY BEEN DONE BY THE MSBU AND THE COUNTY NEEDS TO BE A LITTLE MORE INVOLVED; THAT IS A COORDINATION EFFORT. THEY ALSO HAVE GULF POWER STANDING BY, WAITING AGAIN ON THE SURVEY BEFORE THEY GO IN AND BEGIN TO TELL INSIDE THE LITTLE POCKETS OF POPULATION WHERE THEY NEED TO EXPAND STREET LIGHTS OFF THE BOULEVARD AND INTO THE HOUSING AREAS. THERE ARE THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON; ALL OF THEM MAY NOT BE VISIBLE. IT TOOK GULF POWER A LONG TIME TO GO IN AND REROUTE THE WHOLE ELECTRICAL SERVICE DOWN THE BOULEVARD; THEIR LIGHTS WERE OUT FOR 45 TO 60 DAYS. GULF POWER

REIMBURSED THE MSBU MONEY BACK FOR THAT TIME AND IT WENT BACK INTO THE MSBU BUDGET. THEY NOT ONLY PAID OFF THESE NOTES TODAY; THEIR LOAN PAYMENT IS BECOMING DUE IN MARCH OR APRIL AND THEY ARE TRYING TO SEE IF THEY CAN MAKE A DOUBLE OR DOUBLE AND A HALF PAYMENT ON THAT LOAN BALANCE. THAT IS WHAT THEY HEARD FROM THE COMMUNITY A LONG TIME; THEY WANT TO PAY OFF THE LOANS. THERE IS THINGS GOING ON AND IF MS. BAHR'S CALLS ARE NOT GETTING RETURNED AND THEY NEED TO SIT DOWN AND TALK, MR. HAGAN SAID HE WOULD BE HAPPY FOR HER TO COME TO HIS OFFICE OR HE WILL MEET WITH HER AT THE SITE SHE THINKS SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE AND HAVE A SUPERVISOR COME WITH HIM. RETURN PHONE CALLS IS ONE OF THE THINGS HE TAKES GREAT PRIDE IN WITHIN HIS OFFICE. THEY DON'T IGNORE THEM. IF HE DON'T RETURN A CALL, HE WRITES DOWN ON THAT NOTE "DID NOT RETURN." THERE IS BOOKS AND BOOKS SHOWING THE TIME AND DATE HE RETURNED A CALL OR IF HE DIDN'T RETURN IT, THERE WILL BE A NOTE SAYING HE DIDN'T RETURN IT. HE APOLOGIZED AGAIN IF MS. BAHR DIDN'T GET A RETURNED CALL. HE ASKED HOW LONG AGO WAS IT WHEN MS. BAHR CALLED.

MS. BAHR ADVISED IT WAS A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO AND SHE GUESSED SHE WAS HOPING TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE MSBU BECAUSE SHE IS NEW DOWN HERE; BUT, EVERYTHING SHE HAS GATHERED AND READ, IT BOTHERS HER SHE DOESN'T SEE IT HAPPENING.

MR. HAGAN ASKED MS. BAHR IF SHE CAME TO THE MEETING AT THE SUNNY HILLS CIVIC CENTER. MS. BAHR SAID HER HUSBAND ATTENDED THE MEETING; BUT, SHE DIDN'T. HER HUSBAND FELT THERE WAS NOT A LOT ACCOMPLISHED AT THE MEETING. SHE WILL MAKE THE NEXT MEETING. THE MSBU FROM WHAT SHE UNDERSTOOD WAS THE TAX COLLECTED WAS TO ENHANCE THE BENEFITS OF WHAT THE COUNTY WAS ALREADY PROVIDING; BUT, IN THE TIME SHE HAS BEEN HERE, SHE HASN'T SEEN THAT ENHANCEMENT. SHE HAS SEEN A LOT OF DAMAGE DONE TO THE SIDE OF THEIR ROADS WHERE THE COUNTY PEOPLE HAVE TORN IT UP AND NOT PUTTING ANYTHING DOWN AND GRADED IT; THEY HACKED IT TO DEATH AND THEN THEY HAD MORE RUNOFF AND DAMAGE.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID TWELVE YEARS AGO, THEY HAD MOWER DISCS

BEHIND TRACTORS; THEY WOULD MAKE THEIR ROUNDS AND THEY WOULD GO THROUGH SUNNY HILLS, CUT THE MAIN ROADS AND ANY ROAD THAT LEAD TO A HOUSE THAT HAD A POWER LINE. THAT IS ALL THEY WOULD DO UNTIL THE WINTER AND THEN THEY WOULD GO BACK IN AND CUT EVERY ROAD IN SUNNY HILLS ONE TIME. THE ROADS ARE IN 100% BETTER QUALITY NOW THAN THEY WERE TWELVE YEARS AGO AND THINGS NOW ARE BETTER FOR THE COMMUNITY. BUT, THIS BOARD HAS HAD SO MANY COMPLAINTS, GRIPES THEY SENT THIS SURVEY OUT TO FIND OUT WHAT THE COMMUNITY WANTS. UNTIL THEY GET THIS SURVEY BACK, THEY ARE KIND OF HESITANT TO DO ANYTHING. HE SAID HE WAS NOT TRYING TO BE RUDE; HE IS JUST TRYING TO TELL MS. BAHR LIKE IT IS. HE TOLD MS. BAHR IF THERE WAS ANYTHING ELSE SHE HAS QUESTIONS ABOUT OR SHE HAS A SITUATION OR PROBLEM TO CALL MR. HAGAN, MR. PITTS OR COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND HE GUARANTEES SHE WILL GET AN ANSWER WHETHER SHE LIKES IT OR NOT, ETC.

MS. BAHR SAID SHE DOESN'T NECESSARILY HAVE TO LIKE THE ANSWER; SHE JUST WANTS AN ANSWER WHY IT ISN'T BEING DONE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD MS. BAHR ANYTIME SHE CALLS SOMEBODY AND DOESN'T GET A REPLY WITHIN A DAY OR TWO, CALL HIM. HE WILL SEE WHY SHE DOESN'T GET A CALL.

CLERK LINDA COOK REQUESTED APPROVAL OF A \$2,500 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO COVER THE INCREASE IN THE RETIREMENT RATES. WHEN SHE SUBMITTED HER BUDGET REQUEST, SHE DID IT USING THE OLD RETIREMENT RATE, THE RATES WENT UP AND SHE FORGOT TO GO BACK AND INCREASE HER BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE CLERK'S REQUEST FOR A \$2,500 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO COVER THE INCREASE IN THE RETIREMENT RATES.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW INFORMED THE BOARD SHE WOULD BE ADVERTISING A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD AT THEIR NOVEMBER MEETING TO CLOSE OUT THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010.

COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT:

CHRIS, PREBLE RISH, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THREE SEPARATE CHANGE ORDERS DUE TO THERE BEING GRANT FUNDING LEFT OVER:

1. BETHEL ROAD-\$18,000 CHANGE ORDER FOR CLEARING, GRUBBING AND DITCH PAVING
2. SHELL LANDING ROAD-\$46,475 CHANGE ORDER FOR DITCH PAVING, CLEARING, GRUBBING, GRADING AND ALSO PAVING LARGE SECTIONS BY THE BOAT RAMP FOR A PARKING AREA
3. GILBERTS MILL ROAD-\$21,960 CHANGE ORDER FOR 6,000 SQUARE YARD OF ADDITIONAL SOD

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED BY DOING THIS WORK, THE ENGINEER IS NOT GOING TO COME BACK AND SAY THEY OVERSPENT. CHRIS EXPLAINED THEY KNOW WHAT WAS AVAILABLE IN EACH GRANT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF ALL THE CHANGE ORDERS WERE NECESSARY. CHRIS ADVISED THEY WERE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED CHRIS SAYING THEY WERE PAVING AN AREA AT THE BOAT RAMP ON SHELL LANDING ROAD. CHRIS EXPLAINED IT WAS NOT ACTUALLY THE BOAT RAMP; IT WAS THE PARKING AREA OFF THE SHOULDER OF THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THEY COULD DO THE PARKING AREA WITHOUT A PERMIT. CHRIS SAID HE THOUGHT SO AS THE LIME ROCK BASE HAS BEEN DOWN ESSENTIALLY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED HOW BIG OF AN AREA WERE THEY GOING TO PAVE.

CHRIS SAID IT WAS PROBABLY 30' WIDE BY 50' OR 60' LONG.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY HAD DISCUSSED THESE PROJECTS PRETTY EXTENSIVELY ON TUESDAY AT THE PUBLIC WORKS MEETING; EVERYTHING THE ENGINEER IS ASKING FOR IS EITHER TAKING CARE OF MAKING IT BETTER FOR THE COUNTY TO TAKE CARE OF EROSION, ETC. TO KEEP IT FROM GETTING IN

THE CREEKS. HE AGREED COMMISSIONER HOWELL HAD A LEGITIMATE QUESTION; IF YOU ARE GOING TO PAVE 20' X SOMETHING, THEY MAKE WANT TO CHECK TO MAKE SURE IF A PERMIT IS NEEDED. OTHER THAN THAT, THERE WERE NO PROBLEMS WITH ANY OF THE CHANGE ORDERS.

CHRIS SAID HE DIDN'T THINK AN NPDES PERMIT WOULD BE INVOLVED WITH A SMALL JOB SUCH AS THIS; BUT, HE WILL CHECK INTO THIS. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THIS IS IN AN IMPERVIOUS AREA.

CHRIS SAID HE THOUGHT THE SWALE SYSTEM ALONG SHELL LANDING ROAD WOULD HANDLE THIS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CHANGE ORDERS FOR BETHEL ROAD, SHELL LANDING ROAD AND GILBERTS MILL ROAD.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT-MR. PITTS:

A. FL-DOT HAS OFFERED THE COUNTY THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE IN NEW HOPE; THEY WILL MOVE IT FOR THE COUNTY. HE ASKED STACY WEBB TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THIS MATTER.

STACY UPDATED THE BOARD ON HER HAVING ATTENDED SOME MEETINGS WITH FL-DOT ABOUT A YEAR AGO AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS PERTAINING TO THE OLDER, HISTORICAL HOUSES THAT ARE GOING TO BE MOVED AS A RESULT OF THE WIDENING OF HIGHWAY 79. THE INTENT OF ATTENDING THOSE MEETINGS WAS TO HOPEFULLY BE AWARDED A HOUSE THAT COULD BE MOVED DOWN INTO THE PIONEER SETTLEMENT. THIS IS THE PET PROJECT OF COMMISSIONER FINCH; SHE HASN'T LET THAT DIE BECAUSE OF THE CONCEPT BEHIND IT. IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR THE COUNTY, DRAW IN A LOT OF FOLKS AND BE VERY EDUCATIONAL. SHE RECEIVED A CALL FROM MR. MAURICE CLAY FROM FL-DOT SAYING THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE WAS AVAILABLE. THE HOUSE WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE COUNTY, THE STATE WILL MOVE IT FREE OF CHARGE, WHICH SHE COULD USE IF SHE CHOSE TO PURSUE ANOTHER PRESERVATION GRANT, WHICH SHE HAS WRITTEN THREE OF THOSE GRANTS AND THEY HAVE YET TO BE APPROVED BECAUSE THE STATE HAD RATHER SEE MORE OF OBLIGATION FROM THE COUNTY. THE COST FOR THEM MOVING THE HOUSE WOULD BE \$50,000; FL-DOT IS PAYING FOR IT AND WILL MOVE IT WHEREVER THE COUNTY LIKES.

STACY ADDRESSED THE AREA THEY ARE LOOKING AT MOVING THE HOUSE IS DANIELS LAKE; THERE IS FORTY ACRES ACROSS FROM THE PARK THE COUNTY HAS DESIGNATED FOR THE PIONEER SETTLEMENT. SHE FEELS IF THE COUNTY IS ABLE TO OBTAIN THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE AND HAVE IT MOVED DOWN THERE, IT WOULD GIVE THEM A STARTING POINT TO BUILD UP THIS PROJECT THE WAY IT WAS INTENDED. IF SHE HAS A HOUSE IN THERE, IT WOULD LOOK BETTER WITH THE STATE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION AGENCY WHEN SHE SUBMITS ANOTHER GRANT APPLICATION. SHE CAN ALSO USE THE \$50,000 FIGURE THE STATE IS PAYING TO MOVE THE HOUSE FOR THE COUNTY AS AN INKIND MATCH. THE STATE WILL ALSO REHABILITATE THE OUTSIDE STRUCTURE AND PRIOR TO MOVING THE HOUSE, THEY WILL DO AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT. THE ONLY THING THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO ENTER INTO WOULD BE A PRESERVATION COVENANT AGREEMENT STATING THEY WOULD TRY TO PRESERVE THE HOUSE FOR APPROXIMATELY TEN YEARS. MR. CLAY HAD SUGGESTED THE COUNTY BUDGET \$200 PER YEAR FOR A TEN YEAR PERIOD TO HELP MAINTAIN THE BUILDING; SHE OFFERED TO PLACE THIS AMOUNT IN HER BUDGET EACH YEAR.

STACY SAID SHE HAD TALKED TO DAVID CORBIN AND HE IS MORE THAN WILLING AND READY TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE DANIELS LAKE AREA; THEY DON'T WANT TO MOVE A WHOLE LOT OF NATURAL SHRUBBERY OR TREES OUT AS THEY WANT TO STILL MAINTAIN THE NATURAL LOOK. THERE WOULD BE SOME COST TO THE COUNTY FOR CLEARING. SHE ASKED PERMISSION TO ACQUIRE THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE SO THEY CAN START A PROJECT THAT HAS BEEN ONGOING FOR YEARS. IF THE BOARD CHOOSES NOT TO ACQUIRE THE HOUSE, SHE ASKED THE BOARD FOR THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION PROJECT TO BE PUT TO REST BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN ONGOING FOR YEARS. THAT WAY IF THE BOARD CHOOSES NOT TO DO THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION PROJECT, THEY CAN TAKE THE FORTY ACRES AT DANIELS LAKE AND SELL IT TO THE PRISON. THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS PROJECT FOR A REALLY LONG TIME AND THIS HOUSE JUST FELL IN THEIR LAP AND SHE WOULD HATE TO SEE THIS OPPORTUNITY PASS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED THE TIME FRAME FL-DOT IS WANTING TO MOVE THE HOUSE. STACY SAID THE STATE WANTED IT MOVED BY JANUARY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL LIKED THE IDEA OF THE PIONEER SETTLEMENT; BUT THE LOCATION BOTHERS HIM. DANIELS LAKE IS PRETTY MUCH A REMOTE AREA JUST LIKE THE HORSE ARENA.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN DIDN'T FEEL THE BOARD SHOULD BE TAKING ON ANYTHING ELSE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL VOICED HIS OPINION, IF THE COUNTY IS GOING TO DO A PIONEER SETTLEMENT, IT NEEDS TO BE MASTER PLANNED ON THE FORTY ACRES. HE UNDERSTANDS THERE WAS SUPPOSE TO BE SOME TYPE OF TRAIL ON THE PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER PATE THOUGHT THERE WAS SOME TYPE OF LAYOUT DRAWING FOR THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION PROJECT AT ONE TIME.

STACY SAID THE BUILDING WOULD BE MAINTAINED BY INMATE LABOR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID, EVEN IF THE BOARD PASSED ON ACQUIRING THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE, HE HATES TO SEE THEM DO AWAY WITH THE IDEA OF A PIONEER SETTLEMENT SOMEWHERE IN THE COUNTY THAT WOULD BE CLOSER SO PEOPLE WOULD BE MORE APT TO GO AND USE THE FACILITY.

STACY EXPLAINED WITH THE WHOLE IDEA OF THE EQUESTRIAN ARENA, THEY WERE HOPING TO HAVE IT AS A RECREATIONAL PARK WHERE THEY COULD GO INTO THE EQUESTRIAN ARENA, DOWN TO DANIELS LAKE, TO THE PARK AND THEN TO THE PIONEER SETTLEMENT. IT USE TO BE A MUCH BIGGER PICTURE THAN IT ACTUALLY TURNED OUT TO BE.

STACY SAID IF THE COUNTY CHOOSES NOT TO PURSUE THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE, THE HOUSE WOULD BE DESTROYED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE STATE CONSIDERS THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE TO BE HISTORICAL.

STACY SAID THE HOUSE IS NOT ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER AND IS NOT RECOGNIZED IN THAT WAY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS RELUCTANT TO TAKE ON ANOTHER PROJECT AT THIS TIME.

ROGER HAGAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE PRESERVATION OF THESE OLD HOUSES ONGOING AND REFERRED TO THE PIONEER VILLAGE IN BLOUNTSTOWN. HE IS A PROPONENT OF THESE KIND

OF THINGS.

STACY TOLD THE BOARD SHE HAD TALKED TO MS. DOROTHY ODOM, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, AND THEY HAVE OTHER OFFERS FOR THE PIONEER VILLAGE SUCH AS A TWO SEATER OUT-HOUSE. THEY ALSO HAVE PEOPLE OFFERING ITEMS. THEY HAD AN OFFERING OF A CHURCH; BUT, BECAUSE THEY COULD NOT MOVE IT, THE CHURCH WAS DESTROYED. THERE IS A LOT OF INTEREST IN PRESERVING STRUCTURES IN THE COUNTY; DEVELOPMENT IS HAPPENING OVERNIGHT AND THESE STRUCTURES ARE BEING DESTROYED OVERNIGHT AND SHE WOULD HATE TO SEE THIS ONE DESTROYED.

HOWELL SAID HERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO START SOMETHING LIKE THIS WITH NO REAL COST TO THE COUNTY EXCEPT CLEARING A LITTLE BIT OF LAND. THE WORST CASE SCENARIO, IT JUST SITS THERE FOR THE NEXT FIFTY YEARS AND ROTS TO THE GROUND.

TODD ABBOT QUESTIONED HOW MUCH PROPERTY HAS GOT TO BE SECURED FOR THE PIONEER VILLAGE. STACY SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW.

MR. PITTS SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS A REQUIREMENT FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF LAND; THE HOUSE HAS GOT TO BE PRESERVED BY THE COUNTY FOR TEN YEARS.

MR. ABBOT ASKED IF THEY COULD START THE PIONEER VILLAGE IN THE CORNER SOMEWHERE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID "YES;" THEY COULD MOVE IT AGAIN IF THEY HAD TOO.

MR. PITTS EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN ABOUT REOCCURRING COST; APPARENTLY THERE IS NONE OTHER THAN MAINTAINING THE GROUNDS.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED FL-DOT IS GOING TO TAKE CARE OF ALL THE EXTERIOR WORK ON THE HOUSE AND THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE TO HOOK POWER TO THE HOUSE OR ANYTHING ELSE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION TO APPROVE OF ACQUIRING THE SHIPES HOLLEY HOUSE IF THEY WILL PUT TOGETHER A COMMITTEE TO HANDLE THIS AND GET IT DONE.

MR. ABBOT SAID, AS A CITIZEN, HE WOULD HATE FOR THE BOARD TO LOCK DOWN THE 40 ACRES AT DANIELS LAKE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND

PATE SAID THEY WEREN'T GOING TO LOCK DOWN THE ENTIRE 40 ACRES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID WHAT HE IS SAYING IS CLEAR OUT AN AREA BIG ENOUGH TO PUT THE HOUSE ON AND GO FROM THERE AND THAT IS HIS MOTION. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OPPOSED.

B. MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING THE KEYS TO THE NEW SUNNY HILLS FIRE STATION WHICH WAS PRESENTED TO HIM THIS LAST WEEK. THE SHELL IS DONE; THE BAD THING IS HE ALSO PRESENTED THE FINAL BILL WITH IT AND THEY ARE \$3,760 SHORT ON MAKING THE FINAL PAYMENT FROM THE \$75,000 THAT WAS ORIGINALLY ALLOTTED FOR THE BUILDING. THEY STILL HAVE TO DO SOMETHING WITH THE DRIVEWAY IN FRONT OF THE NEW FIRE STATION AND HE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO CONCRETE THE FRONT ENTRANCE BETWEEN THE BUILDING AND THE ROAD. THEY ALSO NEED TO PUT A SEPTIC TANK ON THE OUTSIDE.

PITTS TOLD THE BOARD THEY HAD \$10,000 FROM FL-DOT TO FINISH OUT THE INTERIOR OF THE BUILDING WHICH HE COULD USE FOR ELECTRICITY, PETITION WALLS, TRIM OUT THE BATHROOM AND BATHROOM FIXTURES, ETC. HOWEVER, THEY CAN'T USE THE MONEY TO FINISH OUT THE CONCRETE ON THE OUTSIDE OR THE SEPTIC TANK.

MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING \$5,600 IN FIRE IMPACT FEES; HE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO TAKE THAT \$5,600 FROM THE IMPACT FEES TO COVER THE \$3,760 THEY ARE SHORT AND UP TO \$6,500 FROM LAND SALES TO COVER THE PAVING OF THE PAD IN THE FRONT AND INSTALLATION OF THE SEPTIC SYSTEM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO BE ABLE TO COMPLETE EVERYTHING INSIDE WITH THE \$10,000 FROM FL-DOT.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE BOARD CONSIDERS COMPLETE. HE THINKS THEY CAN GET A PETITIONED WALL UP AND GET THE INTERIOR WALLS COVERED. HE THINKS THE TRUCK BAYS WILL STILL JUST BE OPEN FRAME WORK AND THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO COMPLETELY FINISH THE BUILDING OUT ON THE OUTSIDE. THEY WOULD LIKE TO INSULATE IT AS MUCH AS THEY CAN WITH WHAT IS LEFT OF THE MONEY. HE DOES FEEL

THE \$10,000 FROM FL-DOT WILL GO A LONG WAY IN COMPLETING THE INTERIOR OF THE BUILDING IF THEY USE INMATE LABOR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE IMPACT FEES COULD BE USED FOR THE FIREHOUSE EXPENDITURES. MR. PITTS TOLD HIM THEY COULD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF TAKING \$6,500 FROM LAND SALES AND \$5,600 FROM THE FIRE IMPACT FEES TO COVER THE OVERAGE ON THE NEW SUNNY HILLS FIRE STATION, PUT SEPTIC TANK IN AND CONCRETE THE FRONT ENTRANCE FROM THE BUILDING TO THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY WERE ASKED AT THE PUBLIC WORKS MEETING ON TUESDAY ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF PUTTING PEOPLE BACK ON OVERTIME TO DO THE FEMA WORK. HE, MR. PITTS AND DALLAS CARTER TALKED ABOUT THIS. THEY NOW HAVE ALL THE FEMA WORK APPROVED; THEY HAVE TO GET IT DONE IN ABOUT EIGHTEEN MONTHS. HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD TO GIVE THEM A LITTLE TIME FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MR. PITTS TO COME UP WITH A PLAN ON HOW TO MAKE IT WORK EFFICIENTLY WHERE THEY CAN GET THE FEMA WORK DONE AND SET SOME GUIDELINES OTHER THAN WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN OPERATING BY. MAYBE THEY COULD TAKE IT UP AT THE SPECIAL MEETING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY HAD TALKED ABOUT PUTTING TOGETHER A CREW TO JUST WORK ON FEMA DURING THE WEEK AND ASKED WHY COULDN'T THIS BE DONE.

MR. PITTS SAID FEMA WORK IS ALL TWO OF THE CREWS ARE SUPPOSE TO BE DOING NOW.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE DOES KNOW TO BRING THE FEMA MONEY IN, THEY WILL HAVE TO DO THE FEMA WORK AND SUBMIT THE PW'S TO FEMA COMPLETED.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO HIM AND COMMISSIONER BROCK HAVING A DISCUSSION ABOUT DOING MAINTENANCE WORK. FEMA WORK IN ESSENCE IS NOTHING BUT A SOUPED UP MAINTENANCE JOB. THEY NEED TO DO THE PW'S AND DO THEM RIGHT. THE PIECE MILL THAT WAS TALKED ABOUT WAS ON PW'S. HE EXPLAINED THEY ARE WORKING ON A PW IN HIS DISTRICT NOW

THAT THEY CAN GET THREE OR FOUR OF THEM AND THEN THEY WILL HAVE TO MOVE SOMEWHERE ELSE IN THE DISTRICT TO DO ANOTHER ONE OR MAYBE ACROSS THE DISTRICT LINES. WITH A LITTLE COORDINATING, THEY CAN GET THE PW'S COMPLETED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED WHY THEY NEEDED TO WORK OVERTIME IF THERE ARE TWO CREWS WORKING ON NOTHING BUT FEMA NOW DURING THE WEEK.

MR. PITTS SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THEY WOULD GET IT DONE IN THE EIGHTEEN MONTHS IF THEY DON'T WORK OVERTIME.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID THEY WOULD LOSE OUT ON THE MONEY THAT FEMA HAS OBLIGATED.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WOULD COMMIT TO MEET EVERY WEEK UNTIL NOVEMBER 16TH UNTIL THEY GET THIS WORKED OUT THE BEST WAY THEY CAN.

MR. PITTS SAID HE WOULD LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SIT DOWN WITH DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT TUESDAY TO SEE WHERE THE FUNDS ARE ON FEMA BECAUSE THE BOARD HAS COMMITTED A LARGE PORTION OF THE FEMA FUNDS THEY HAVE JUST COLLECTED FROM FEMA ON RIVER ROAD AND TRY TO AVOID PAYING THE INTEREST ON THAT. THEY HAVE ANOTHER BILL COMING FROM BONNETT POND THEY WOULD CERTAINLY LIKE TO BE ABLE TO PAY FOR.

COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED THEY THINK THERE IS A LOT OF MONEY OUT THERE; BUT, A LOT OF IT IS ALREADY COMMITTED SO THEY ARE HAVING TO JUGGLE THIS OVER HERE, ETC. TO TRY AND BUY THE ROCK. THEY CAN DO THE EARTHWORK AND THE REGULAR MAINTENANCE, MAYBE EVEN OVERTIME; BUT, BUYING THE MATERIALS IS WHERE THE PINCH IS GOING TO COME. THEY HAVE TO GET THIS FEMA WORK MOVING; IF NOT, THEY WILL BE DEAD IN THE WATER.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY COULD GET THE SUPPLIERS TO WORK WITH THEM, CARRY THEM FOR THIRTY DAYS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY COULD TRY. MR. PITTS ADDRESSED THE SUPPLIERS DO MONTHLY BILLING.

COMMISSIONER PATE REITERATED THEY HAVE TO FINISH THESE PW'S AND GET THEM TURNED IN TO GET THEM IN THAT CIRCLE AND NOT PIECE MILL THE PW'S; WORK THEM BY PW'S NO MATTER WHERE IT IS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID THEY WERE GOING TO HAVE TO DO SOME OVERTIME TO GET THE FEMA WORK DONE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO IS WHEN THEY GO OUT TO DO THE FEMA WORK, IT IS GOING TO BE EFFICIENT. YOU HAVE GOT TO HAVE A STABILIZED WORKFORCE ON THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THEY OUGHT TO BE EFFICIENT IN EVERYTHING THEY DO. COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID AS FAR AS THE MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THE FEMA PROJECTS, SHE WOULD BE GLAD TO GET WITH MR. PITTS AS FAR AS FUNDING. SHE ADDRESSED WHEN THE BOARD GOT OUT OF THE INTEREST RATE SWAP AGREEMENT AND WENT BACK TO A VARIABLE INTEREST RATE ON THEIR LOAN, A FUND WAS ESTABLISHED TO PUT THE DIFFERENCE IN WHAT THEY WERE PAYING AND WHAT THEY WOULD BE PAYING IN CASE THE INTEREST RATE WENT UP. THEY COULD USE THESE FUNDS AND REIMBURSE THE MONEY WHEN THEY GET THE FEMA REIMBURSEMENT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED MR. PITTS GET WITH DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW AND MR. PATE AND TRY TO WORK SOMETHING UP FOR THE OCTOBER 27TH MEETING ON THE FEMA PROJECTS.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE FINAL CERTIFICATION OF THE TAXABLE VALUE OF \$932,940,830. COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE FINAL CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE FOR 2010.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED IF IT WOULD BE OKAY IF PUBLIC WORKS GOT UP WITH THE ENGINEER TO SEE IF IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE TO PUT UP A STOP SIGN ON PIPKIN ROAD AND COOK MILL DUE TO A PERSON HAVING REQUESTED A STOP SIGN BE PUT THERE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD HIM THAT WOULD BE FINE.

COMMISSIONER PATE STATED SIGNAGE ISSUES SHOULDN'T COME BEFORE THE BOARD; THEY SHOULD GO THROUGH THE STUDY PROCESS AND THE ENGINEER DECIDES WHETHER THEY NEED A STOP SIGN.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE SPEED LIMIT ON ALFORD HIGHWAY AND THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAVING SET THE SPEED LIMIT AT 45 MPH ON THE WHOLE LENGTH OF THE ROAD. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ADDRESSED THIS ISSUE WAS ON CORBIN ROAD ALSO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS TOLD THERE WAS NO SPEED LIMIT SIGNS OUT THERE BEFORE; NOW ALL OF A SUDDEN THEY HAVE THE SPEED LIMITS SET AT 45 MPH. HE HAS RECEIVED A LOT OF CALLS ABOUT THE SPEED LIMIT THIS WEEK.

MR. PITTS TOLD THE BOARD THE COUNTY ENGINEER DENIES HAVING DONE THAT STUDY.

THE BOARD ASKED WHO AUTHORIZED THE SPEED SIGN TO BE PUT UP.

MR. PITTS SAID HE WAS TOLD BY A COUNTY EMPLOYEE THAT PUTS THE SIGNS UP THE DIRECTION TO PUT UP THE SPEED SIGNS CAME FROM THE COUNTY ENGINEER AND THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAS TOLD HIM HE HAS NOT ASSIGNED SPEED LIMITS ON THAT ROAD. HOWEVER, HE HAD THE PLANS AND DRAWINGS OF THOSE ROADS ON TUESDAY WHEN THEY MET AT PUBLIC WORKS AND WAS GOING TO LOOK AT THE ROADS AND LOOK TO SEE WHAT THE SPEED LIMIT ON THE ROAD NEEDS TO BE. THE COUNTY ENGINEER DEFENDED THE SPEED LIMIT SAYING THERE ARE SECTIONS OF THE ROADS THAT ARE GOING TO NEED TO BE 45 MPH AND PROBABLY SOME THERE AT 35 MPH. MR. PITTS SAID HE TOLD HIM HE HOPED THERE WOULD BE SECTIONS THAT WOULD BE 55 MPH.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED COPE ROAD HAS A 55 MPH SIGN ON IT;
NO WONDER THEY DRIVE 90 MPH BY HIS HOUSE.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IF HE WANTED TO COMPLAIN BRICK YARD ROAD
FROM ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY TO THE DEAD END ROAD IS 55 MPH.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID WITHOUT DOING A SPEED STUDY AND SEEING
WHAT PEOPLE ARE DRIVING, HE DON'T THINK THEY CAN GO OUT THERE AND SET
A SPEED LIMIT.

HOLLAND KENT COMMENTED ON CORBIN ROAD AND ALFORD ROAD AND THERE
ARE SOME PLACES ON ORANGE HILL. THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF WRECKS IN
THOSE AREAS AND ANYWHERE THERE IS A CURVE, YOU ARE IN JEOPARDY. THE
SHOULDERS OF THE ROAD ARE THE MAIN PROBLEM; SOME OF THE TIME PEOPLE
RUN OFF THE ROAD, THEY OVER COMPENSATE AND JERK THE WHEEL. IT DROPS
OFF IN PLACES QUITE A BIT AND IT IS IN BAD SHAPE IN SOME AREAS.
PIONEER ROAD HAS SOME BAD AREAS. THERE IS NOTHING THE BOARD CAN
DO AS THEY ARE FIGHTING MOTHER NATURE; WATER EROSION IS WHAT CAUSES
THE PROBLEM. THERE JUST HAS TO BE MAINTENANCE DONE; THE SPEED LIMIT
SIGNS HELP, DROPPING THE SPEED LIMIT ON THE CURVE ON ORANGE HILL
HE BELIEVES HAS HELPED AND ENFORCEMENT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT WOULD
HELP AS WELL. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS HELPING AS MUCH AS THEY CAN
TO TALK ABOUT IT AND THEY ARE LOOING AT THE RECORDS OF THE WRECKS AS
TO WHERE THE TROUBLED SPOTS ARE; THEY CAN DO A LOT TO HELP PREVENT
WRECKS PRIOR TO THEM EVEN HAPPENING. HE THINKS THE SHOULDERS OF THE
ROADS SHOULD BE LOOKED AT MORE AND FELT THEY COULD SOLVE A LOT OF
PROBLEMS WITH THAT.

IN RESPONSE TO WASHINGTON COUNTY'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
COUNTY ATTORNEY, ATTORNEY JEFF MILLER GAVE A BRIEF PRESENTATION
ON WHO HE IS, WHERE HE IS FROM, WHAT HIS EXPERIENCE IS AND HOW HE
THINKS THEY COULD BENEFIT THE COUNTY BY BEING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

MR. GOODMAN PROVIDED INFORMATION ON HIS MOTHER, GINNY GOODMAN'S
FAMILY WHO WAS FROM HOLMES COUNTY AND HIS FATHER, JIM GOODMAN'S FAMILY
WHO WAS FROM CALHOUN COUNTY. JEFF SAID HIS ROOTS ARE LOCAL; THEY
ARE NOT NECESSARILY WASHINGTON COUNTY. BUT, HE UNDERSTANDS THE NEEDS

OF THE PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY AND THE DYNAMICS THAT GO ON IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND IN THIS AREA. HE GRADUATED FROM HOLMES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL IN 1997 AND WENT ON AND GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA WITH A BS DEGREE IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT. AFTER ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, HE ATTENDED FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE OF LAW WHERE HE GRADUATED IN 2003. THEREAFTER HE WENT TO WORK FOR A VERY LARGE FIRM, BALCH AND BINGHAM, IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA WHICH CONSISTED OF 250 ATTORNEYS. WHILE THERE, HE WORKED PRIMARILY ON BIG CORPORATE LITIGATION; HE REPRESENTED COMPANIES SUCH AS SOUTHERN COMPANY, ALABAMA POWER COMPANY AND COMPASS BANK. HE ALSO HAD KIND OF A NITCH FOR DOING CONTRACT WORK FOR COACHES AND ATHLETES; THAT LED HIM TO AN OPPORTUNITY THAT CAME ABOUT IN 2006 WITH THE DENVER BRONCOS AND MOST RECENTLY HE SERVED AS THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER. WHAT HE DID AS THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER, HE NEGOTIATED ALL THE CONTRACTS, WORKED WITH THE AGENTS ON THE PROCUREMENTS OF SALARIES MAKING SURE THEY WERE INSIDE THE NFL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT, MAKING SURE THEY WERE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NFL SALARY CAP AND MANAGING AN OVERALL FOOTBALL BUDGET OF ABOUT \$140 MILLION A YEAR DEDICATED TO FOOTBALL. HE WAS THE MANAGER OF OVERSEEING HOW THE OPERATIONS WENT, WHETHER IT WAS THE TRAINING STAFF, EQUIPMENT, VIDEO; HE MANAGED THOSE DEPARTMENTS. IN 2009, THERE WAS A CHANGE IN REGIME; IN COACHING, THERE WAS A COMPLETE SHIFT IN THE DYNAMICS OF THE ORGANIZATION AND A LOT OF THE FOOTBALL DEPARTMENT WAS LET GO. HE MOVED BACK TO CHIPLEY AND IN THE FALL OF 2009, HE WORKED AS A CONSULTANT WITH ESPN, FLEW BACK AND FORTH TO BRISTOL FOR SOME CONSULTING WORK AND WAS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR AT THE FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE OF LAW. HE TAUGHT SPORTS LAW NEGOTIATIONS OVER THERE LAST FALL.

MR. GOODMAN PROVIDED INFORMATION ON HIS PERSONAL LIFE; HE AND HIS WIFE HAVE TWO CHILDREN, A THREE YEAR OLD AND A FOUR MONTH OLD AND THAT IS PART OF THE REASON THEY DECIDED TO STAY IN THIS AREA TO RAISE THEIR CHILDREN NEAR THEIR PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS. IN MAY OF 2010,

HE OPENED UP A LAW OFFICE IN CHIPLEY AS A GENERAL PRACTICE; HE IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS THE ATTORNEY FOR THE HOLMES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND STARTED THAT ROLE ABOUT TWO MONTHS AGO.

MR. GOODMAN SAID HE APPRECIATES CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD AND THOUGHT HE COULD OFFER THE BOARD AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY IN THIS AREA; HIS ROOTS ARE IN THIS AREA. HE HAS ALSO WENT OUT AND GOT A DIVERSITY OF EXPERIENCE; HE HAS HANDLED BIG PROJECTS AND SMALL PROJECTS. HE HAS WORKED WITH LARGE CORPORATIONS AND WORKED WITH THE BLUE COLLAR WORKER AND HE THINKS HE HAS THE PERSONALITY TO DEAL WITH A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT PERSONALITIES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED MR. GOODMAN IF HE WERE SELECTED AS COUNTY ATTORNEY IF THERE WOULD BE ANY CONFLICT WITH HIM SERVING AS ATTORNEY FOR BOTH HOLMES AND WASHINGTON COUNTY.

MR. GOODMAN SAID NOT THAT HE CAN TELL AS HE HAS TALKED TO SEVERAL ATTORNEYS THAT HAVE DONE THIS. THE ONLY SITUATION THAT COULD ARISE IS IF THERE WAS A SITUATION WHERE THE COUNTIES HAD ADVERSE INTERESTS IN A CASE; AT THAT POINT IN TIME, HE WOULD HAVE TO WITHDRAW ALTOGETHER. THERE ARE SITUATIONS THAT COULD RISE THEIR HEADS WHERE HE WOULD SAY HE IS CONFLICTED OUT BECAUSE OF THIS ADVERSE INTEREST AND HE WOULD BE FORTHCOMING WITH THE BOARD BECAUSE OF THAT. HE DOESN'T THINK THAT WOULD HAPPEN MUCH BASED ON SOME RESEARCH HE HAS DONE; BUT, THERE IS A POSSIBILITY IT COULD HAPPEN.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN TO TELL THE BOARD ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCE IN REPORTING TO AND INTERACTING WITH A GOVERNING BOARD AND ELECTED OFFICIALS.

MR. GOODMAN SAID HIS FIRST ANSWER TO THAT WOULD BE REPRESENTING HOLMES COUNTY, THE ONLY TIME HE HAS REPRESENTED A GOVERNING BODY. WHEN HE WORKED WITH ALABAMA POWER COMPANY ON LAND USE AND EASEMENT ISSUES, OBVIOUSLY HE WOULD COME BEFORE VARIOUS BOARDS AND DEPARTMENTS IN AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW CAPACITY AND ARGUE OR PRESENT IDEAS OR ITEMS WITH RESPECT OF THINGS THE CORPORATE CLIENT HE WAS REPRESENTING WOULD ASK HIM TO GO BEFORE THE BOARD. REPRESENTING THE BOARD ON A SPECIFIC

NATURE IS LIMITED TO WHAT HE IS CURRENTLY DOING IN HOLMES COUNTY. HE HAS BEEN BEFORE BOARDS MORE IN A CAPACITY THAN HE IS DOING TODAY PRESENTING MORE SO THAN HE HAS SAT BEHIND THE BENCH AS AN ATTORNEY REPRESENTING THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID FROM TIME TO TIME THE BOARD HAS ISSUES ON ROAD PROJECTS WHERE THEY HAVE TO HAVE EASEMENTS, DEEDS DRAWN UP, ETC. HE ASKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN IF HE HAD EXPERIENCE IN THOSE KIND OF THINGS.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN SAID HE HAS A LOT OF EXPERIENCE IN EASEMENTS AND DEEDS; WHEN YOU REPRESENT POWER COMPANIES, WHICH HE DID FOR 3.5 YEARS, THE TRANSMISSION LINE EASEMENTS, THE UPKEEP EASEMENTS, EVEN WITH LAKES AND OTHER PROPERTIES THEY HAVE, THERE IS ALWAYS AN EASEMENT ISSUE OR LAND USE ISSUE ATTACHED WITH THOSE. IF THEY ASK HIM WHAT HIS WILL HOUSE IS, IT IS REALLY CONTRACTS AND EASEMENTS. HE FEELS COMFORTABLE DISTRIBUTING, WRITING, DRAFTING AND REVIEWING CONTRACTS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN IF HE FELT IN MOST CASES THE COUNTY HAS ONGOING HE COULD HANDLE THEM WITHOUT HAVING TO GO OUTSIDE AND HIRE OTHER LEGAL SERVICES.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN SAID FROM WHAT HIS UNDERSTANDING IS OF SOME OF THE CURRENT ISSUES THE BOARD IS FACING, HE FEELS THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING HE WOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE. TWO AREAS HE IS REALLY NOT COMFORTABLE WITH IS BANKRUPTCY AND TAXATION; IF THOSE ISSUES ARISE, THEY ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING FOR A SPECIALIST. THE OTHER THINGS HE THINKS THEY ARE DISCUSSING, HE WOULD FEEL COMFORTABLE. HE IS LICENSED BOTH IN FLORIDA AND ALABAMA AND IS LICENSED IN THE FEDERAL COURTS IN THOSE TWO STATES AS WELL. IF THERE IS A SITUATION WHERE IT IS OUTSIDE HIS WILLHOUSE AND HE FEELS THE BOARD NEEDS TO DO IT, HE WOULD LET THE BOARD KNOW THAT. EVERYTHING HE IS COGNIZANT OF, HE WILL BE ABLE TO HANDLE. EVERYTHING THAT HAS COME ACROSS HIS DESK FROM HOLMES COUNTY SO FAR HE HAS BEEN ABLE TO HANDLE INCLUDING REIGNING IN SOME THINGS THAT HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN DISBURSED BECAUSE THE PREVIOUS ATTORNEY

COULDN'T HANDLE IT, HE FEELS MORE COMFORTABLE HANDLING IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED HOW DOES THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE CONTRIBUTE TO THE FINANCIAL SUCCESS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN SAID HE FELT IN A LOT OF WAYS AND EXPLAINED WHAT HIS ROLE IS AS THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND HE THINKS THAT WOULD LEAD TO THE ANSWER. HIS ROLE IS NOT TO DICTATE POLICY; THE BOARD IS ELECTED OFFICIALS AND SHOULD DICTATE THE POLICY OF THE COUNTY AND THE PROCEDURES THE COUNTY SHOULD GO THROUGH. HIS ROLE IS TO ADVISE FROM A LEGAL STANDPOINT THE RAMNIFICATIONS OF THE DECISIONS THE BOARD MAKES AND TO BE ON TOP OF THOSE DECISIONS IN THE SENSE HE CAN GUIDE THEM IN WHAT HE THINKS IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY FROM A LEGAL PROSPECTIVE. THERE WILL BE TIMES HE THINKS HE CAN SAY "SURE, FROM A LEGAL STANDPOINT, YOU CAN DO THIS; BUT, I DON'T THINK FROM A FINANCIAL AND A POTENTIAL LIABILITY STANDPOINT, IT IS WORTH ROLLING THE DICE ON." THAT WOULD BE AN INCIDENT WHERE HE MAY BE SAVING THE COUNTY MONEY NOT NECESSARILY TODAY; BUT, MONEY FIVE YEARS FROM NOW WHEN AN INCIDENT ARRIVES. HE SEES HIS ROLE AS BEING AN ADVISOR; IF HE DOES IT CORRECTLY, IT WILL SAVE THE COUNTY MONEY IN THE LONG TERM BY GIVING PROPER LEGAL ADVICE AND SAVING THEM FROM A LIABILITY STANDPOINT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN HOW HE WOULD HANDLE A WORK DAY AS COUNTY ATTORNEY WHICH INCLUDED A BCC MEETING (INCLUDING A PUBLIC HEARING), A COURT HEARING, A BOND CLOSING, AND AN APPEAL DEADLINE.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN SAID THE GOOD THING WITH THAT SCENARIO IS IT DOESN'T HAPPEN THAT OFTEN. HE THINKS PROPER PLANNING GETS YOU OUT OF A LOT OF SITUATIONS; WHATEVER YOU DO HAS TO BE PLANNED. HE HAS A PARALEGAL, SECRETARY AND WHAT HE THINKS IS A GREAT STAFF HE ASSIMILATED DOWN THE STREET AND THEY WOULD HELP HIM PREPARE. THEY ARE GOING TO DO A LOT OF THE LEG WORK AND IF HE LOOKS GOOD, HIS EXPERIENCE TELLS HIM IT IS PROBABLY BECAUSE THEY HAVE DONE A GREAT JOB FOR HIM. HIS STAFF MAKES HIM LOOK GOOD AND MAKES HIM PREPARED.

HE IS YOUNG, HAS A LOT OF ENERGY AND DON'T MIND WORKING UNTIL 8:00 OR 9:00 P.M. HE THINKS PREPARATION AND TIME IS THE KEY.

HEATHER FINCH ASKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN WHEN HOLMES COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS WERE HELD.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN SAID THEIR MEETINGS ARE HELD THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 9:00 A.M. UNTIL ABOUT 10:30; THAT MAY CHANGE DEPENDING ON THE ELECTIONS AND WHO IS THE NEXT CHAIR. THEY ALSO MEET THE LAST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 6:00 P.M. UNTIL ABOUT 8:00 P.M. THERE ARE TIMES HE WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND SPECIAL MEETINGS AND HE WOULD DO HIS BEST TO WORK THOSE IN.

MS. FINCH ASKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN WHO MAKES UP HIS STAFF.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN SAID RIGHT NOW HE IS IN THE PROCESS OF INTERVIEWING FOR ANOTHER PART TIME SECRETARY. WHEN HE OPENED HIS OFFICE IN MAY HE HIRED MARY JANE SILCOX AND HE EXPECTS TO HIRE SOMEBODY ON A PART TIME BASIS TO GET MARY JANE DOING STRICTLY PARALEGAL WORK WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS.

MS. FINCH ASKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN HOW ACCESSIBLE HE WAS IF THE BOARD NEEDS TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM.

MR. GOODMAN SAID HE TEXTS, EMAILS, TAKES CALLS, ETC. AS LONG AS HE IS NOT IN FRONT OF JUDGE REGISTER, JUDGE PEEL OR A FEDERAL JUDGE, HE PRETTY MUCH TAKES CALLS; IF HE DON'T TAKE THEM AND HE GETS IN TOUCH WITH HIM OR HIS PARALEGAL, HE IS USUALLY PRETTY GOOD ABOUT THE THREE HOUR RULE. MOST OF HIS CLIENTS HAVE HIS CELL PHONE NUMBER. ON HIS OFFICE IT SAYS THEY ARE OPEN FROM 8:30 A.M. UNTIL 4:30; BUT, THEY ARE USUALLY THERE FROM 8:00 TO 5:30 OR 8:00 TO 6:00.

THERE WERE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN RECESSED THE MEETING UNTIL 1:00.

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

ATTORNEY SHEILA ENGUM ADDRESSED THE BOARD MAKING HER PRESENTATION FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY POSITION. SHE IS ORIGINALLY FROM WISCONSIN; HER PARENTS RETIRED AND MOVED SOUTH. SHE WENT TO LAW SCHOOL AT CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW IN ALABAMA AND THEN SHE CAME DOWN HERE AND RESIDED WITH HER PARENTS IN ORLANDO. THAT IS WHERE SHE PRACTICED FOR SEVERAL YEARS. IN THE MEANTIME THOUGH, SHE HAD FRIENDS UP HERE AND CAME FOR A VISIT AND LOVED IT; SHE PURCHASED PROPERTY AND MOVED HER BUSINESS UP HERE. FOR THE FIRST FEW YEARS SHE WAS HERE, SHE WORKED FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE OVER IN WALTON COUNTY. AT THAT TIME, SHE WAS ALSO THE CITY ATTORNEY FOR VERNON, FLORIDA. AS FAR AS MUNICIPAL WORK, SHE STARTED GETTING HER EXPERIENCE THERE. WHEN SHE WAS IN ORLANDO, SHE DID CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEYS OFFICE OUT OF ORANGE COUNTY; IN THAT RESPECT SHE DID MEDIATIONS, ARBITRATIONS AND CONTRACTED WITH THEM TO BE AN EXPERT IN REGARD TO FEES WHICH THEY HAD WITH THE COUNTY. SHE THEN MOVED INTO HER PRIVATE PRACTICE IN BONIFAY.

ATTORNEY ENGUM SAID SHE BOUGHT OVER A HUNDRED ACRES AND NOW HAS A FARM; SHE HAS LIVESTOCK AND MORE HORSES AND SHE DOES THE NORMAL THINGS YOU DO ON THE FARM. SHE HAYS HERSELF AND TAKES CARE OF THE ANIMALS WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A NEIGHBOR. SHE LOVES THE AREA.

ATTORNEY ENGUM SAID SHE STARTED WITH THE CITY OF CHIPLEY OVER SIX YEARS AGO AS CITY ATTORNEY. SHE HAS GIVEN LEGAL COUNSEL TO THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND SHE GAVE IT ALSO TO THE VERNON CITY COUNCIL FOR A SHORT TERM. SHE LIVES IN THE VERNON AREA AND THAT IS WHY SHE CHOSE TO START OUT WITH THE VERNON COUNCIL. SHE IS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY TO STAY AND PLANS ON RETIRING HERE. SHE HAS A FARM AND IS NOT LOOKING TO GO ANYWHERE ELSE. SHE GUESSES THAT IS ONE OF THE REASONS SHE WOULD LIKE TO BE THE COUNTY ATTORNEY. SHE FEELS SHE HAS A LOT TO OFFER; SHE HAS WRITTEN ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY, BEEN INVOLVED WITH CONTRACTS AND PROVIDED ON THE SPOT LEGAL ADVICE. SHE

FEELS IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY THAT KNOWS LAW AND GETS A LITTLE BIT OF WEIGHT OFF THEIR BACKS AND THAT IS WHAT SHE WOULD BE HERE FOR. AS FAR AS COMMITMENT, SHE IS NOT GOING ANYWHERE. SHE WOULD PROMISE THE BOARD A TEN YEAR COMMITMENT TODAY IF THEY WANTED THIS. SHE THINKS THIS IS AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY; SHE HAS A SMALL PRACTICE AT THIS TIME DOING MAINLY CRIMINAL CASES, SOME DIVORCE CASES BUT HER MAIN FOCUS RIGHT NOW IS THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND SHE IS HOPING IT IS GOING TO BE BASICALLY ON THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON. SHE HAS CONCERNS; COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HAS BEEN GREAT AND SHE CAN'T SAY ENOUGH ABOUT WHAT WASHINGTON COUNTY PROVIDES FOR THE PEOPLE OUT THERE AND SHE REALLY APPRECIATES IT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED ATTORNEY ENGUM WHAT LEARNING ACTIVITIES DID SHE UNDERTAKE IN THE PAST YEAR.

ATTORNEY ENGUM SAID SHE HAS ALWAYS BELIEVED IN MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION SO THIS PAST YEAR SHE HAS WENT TO A TWO WEEK TRAINING AND A ONE WEEK TRAINING IN TAMPA IN REGARD TO MEDIATION. SHE ADDRESSED THERE HAVING BEEN A LOT OF FORECLOSURES WHICH ARE AFFECTING THIS AREA AND THAT IS WHAT THE BASIC TRAINING WAS ABOUT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED HOW THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE CONTRIBUTES TO THE FINANCIAL SUCCESS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

ATTORNEY ENGUM SAID SHE WAS THE PERSON THAT WAS GOING TO GIVE THE BOARD THE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS THEY NEED. THE BOARD HAS ALL THIS WEIGHT ON THEIR BACKS BECAUSE THEY ARE LISTENING TO ALL THE PEOPLE. IF IT COMES TO A LEGAL QUESTION AND SHE CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE IN THAT SHE KNOWS, THAT IS GOING TO HELP THE COUNTY IN ITSELF.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY ENGUM TO TELL THE BOARD ABOUT HER EXPERIENCE IN REPORTING AND INTERACTING WITH A GOVERNING BOARD AND ELECTED OFFICIALS.

ATTORNEY ENGUM RESPONDED SHE DOES THAT ON A REGULAR BASIS IN REGARD TO THE CITY COUNCIL. SHE IS THERE IF THEY CALL HER; SHE IS ON IT IMMEDIATELY. SHE DOES OPINION LETTERS IF REQUIRED AND IT IS SOMETHING SHE KNOWS IS IMMEDIATE AND NOT SOMETHING PUT OFF A WEEK

OR SO TO RESPOND TO. SHE REVIEWS BEFORE HAND WITH THE COUNCIL ON WHAT IS COMING UP ON THE AGENDA; SHE FEELS IT IS WELL WORTH HER TIME AND ALSO TO PROTECT THE BOARD TO KNOW WHAT LEGAL QUESTIONS ARE GOING TO BE ARISING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ATTORNEY ENGUM WHAT EXPERIENCE SHE HAS IN THE AREAS OF DEEDS AND EASEMENTS.

ATTORNEY ENGUM RESPONDED SHE HAD PREPARED MORTGAGES, PROMISSARY NOTES, DEEDS, ALL OF THE ABOVE FOR THE CITY OF CHIPLEY. SHE REFERRED TO THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE GIVING OUT LOANS THROUGH THE CITY AND SHE IS IN CHARGE OF ALL THE PAPERWORK REGARDING THAT. THE CITY HAS ALSO PURCHASED PROPERTY AND SHE HAS PREPARED THE DEEDS AND THE LAND CONTRACTS.

HEATHER FINCH ASKED IF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS ON THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH CONFLICT IN ANY WAY WITH THE CHIPLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS.

ATTORNEY ENGUM SAID THE CITY OF CHIPLEY MEETS THE SECOND WEEK OF THE MONTH. SHE ASKED IF THERE WAS JUST ONE BOARD MEETING A MONTH.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID IT ALL DEPENDS ON THE SITUATION; USUALLY, WE MEET ON THE FOURTH THURSDAY. HOWEVER, DUE TO A COMMISSIONER NOT BEING ABLE TO BE HERE, THEY CHANGED IT. HE ASKED WOULD ATTORNEY ENGUM BE AVAILABLE.

ATTORNEY ENGUM SAID THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETINGS WOULD TAKE PRIORITY OVER ANYTHING ELSE. THERE IS NO CONFLICT WHASOEVER WITH THE CITY.

HEATHER ASKED ATTORNEY ENGUM TO TELL THE BOARD ABOUT HER OFFICE STAFF AND HOW ACCESSIBLE SHE IS.

ATTORNEY ENGUM SAID THEY COULD EMAIL HER; SHE DOESN'T TEXT. AS FAR AS HER STAFF, IT IS JUST HERSELF. SHE HAS A LEGAL SECRETARY AND ONE SHE CALLS HER INVESTIGATOR THAT ARE THERE ON REGULAR HOURS. SHE STATED SHE RETURNS PHONE CALLS. THE CITY OF CHIPLEY STAFF HAS HER CELL PHONE NUMBER. SHE CAN BE REACHED AT ANY TIME.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY ENGUM HOW SHE WOULD HANDLE A

WORK DAY AS COUNTY ATTORNEY WHICH INCLUDES A BCC MEETING (INCLUDING A PUBLIC HEARING), A COURT HEARING, A BOND CLOSING, AND AN APPEAL DEADLINE.

ATTORNEY ENGUM RESPONDED THAT IS AN EASY DAY. SHE SAID SHE ALWAYS CARRIES A CALENDAR; SHE HAS NEVER MISSED A COURT DATE NOR ON PURPOSE MISSED A CITY COUNCIL MEETING. ORGANIZATION IS A PLUS FOR HER; SHE WOULD HANDLE IT AND PROBABLY COULD HANDLE SOME MORE. IT IS ALL PART OF THE ROUTINE.

TODD ABBOT ASKED IF IT WOULD BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO HAVE THE SAME ATTORNEY FOR THE COUNTY AND THE CITY. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE DIDN'T SEE A PROBLEM WITH IT. MR. PITTS SAID THERE MAY COME A TIME WHEN IT MAY BECOME A CONFLICT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID IF THAT HAPPENS, IT WON'T BE THAT OFTEN.

ALBERT DAVIS ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY HAD TALKED ABOUT THE SALARY WITH EACH INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID EACH OF THE ATTORNEY APPLICANTS HAVE SUBMITTED A RESUME WITH THE FEES IN IT; THEY HAVEN'T GOTTEN TO THAT YET. THEY ARE JUST HEARING A SMALL PRESENTATION FROM EACH OF THE APPLICANTS AT THIS TIME.

MR. DAVIS SAID WHEN THE BOARD GETS TO THE FEES, THAT WILL PROBABLY ELIMINATE SEVERAL OF THE APPLICANTS.

ATTORNEY SHALENE GROVER PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HER QUALIFICATIONS REGARDING WASHINGTON COUNTY'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY. SHE STATED SHE HAS BEEN THE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR ALMOST TEN YEARS NOW FOR LIBERTY COUNTY AND ENJOYS COUNTY GOVERNMENT WORK.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED WHAT LEARNING EXPERIENCES MS. GROVER HAS UNDERTAKEN IN THE PAST YEAR.

MS. GROVER STATED SHE WAS ALWAYS UP TO DATE ON HER CLE CLASSES; FOR THESE CLASSES, SHE USUALLY CONCENTRATES ON THE GOVERNMENT LAW. SHE TRIES TO GET THE BOOKS REGARDING CITY AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND FOCUSES ON THIS. SHE WASN'T SURE IF THAT WAS DURING THE PAST YEAR

OR THE PAST TWO OR THREE YEARS; BUT, SHE DOES ALWAYS MAINTAIN THE CLE REQUIREMENTS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF THERE WERE OTHER LEARNING ACTIVITIES SHE WOULD DO IF THEY CAME OPEN, WOULD SHE TAKE THEM. ATTORNEY GROVER SAID SHE DOES TAKE ADVANTAGE OF LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY GROVER TO TELL ABOUT HER EXPERIENCE IN REPORTING TO AND INTERACTING WITH A GOVERNING BOARD AND ELECTED OFFICIALS.

ATTORNEY GROVER SAID FOR ABOUT 9.5 YEARS, SHE HAS BEEN THE COUNTY ATORNEY FOR LIBERTY COUNTY; SHE ENJOYS WORKING WITH THE COMMISSIONERS AND WORKS WITH THEM CLOSELY. SHE ALSO WORKS WITH THE CLERK OF COURT CLOSELY IN LIBERTY COUNTY BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE A COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR COUNTY MANAGER. SHE WORKS PRETTY MUCH WITH ALL THE PERSONNEL OF LIBERTY COUNTY AND ENJOYS DOING THIS. SHE ALSO ENJOYS WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY GROVER HOW DOES THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE CONTRIBUTE TO THE FINANCIAL SUCCESS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

ATTORNEY GROVER STATED THE WAY SHE SEES THIS IS IF THE COMMISSIONERS GET RE-ELECTED, SHE HAS DONE A GOOD JOB JUST BECAUSE SHE THINKS IF EVERYBODY IS HAPPY, USUALLY PEOPLE WILL GET RE-ELECTED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ATTORNEY GROVER IF SHE HAD ANY EXPERIENCE IN LAND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS, LAND LAWS, ETC.

ATTORNEY GROVER STATED IN LIBERTY COUNTY, THEY WENT THROUGH IN THE BOOM AREA THREE OR FOUR LARGE SUBDIVISIONS BEING APPROVED IN THE COUNTY; SHE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THOSE AND GOT REAL FAMILIAR WITH THOSE AREAS. LIBERTY COUNTY HAS SOMEONE THAT ACTUALLY ADVISES THEM ON THOSE AREAS; BUT, SHE WORKS CLOSELY WITH HIM AND IS FAMILIAR WITH THOSE AREAS. SINCE THEY DON'T HAVE THE ECONOMIC BOOM ANYMORE, THEY DON'T HAVE QUITE AS MANY SUBDIVISIONS BEING BROUGHT INTO THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ATTORNEY GROVER IF SHE WOULD FEEL COMFORTABLE REPRESENTING WASHINGTON COUNTY IN A LAWSUIT LIKE THAT. ATTORNEY GLOVER SAID SHE WOULD.

HEATHER TOLD THE BOARD ATTORNEY GROVER CAME HIGHLY RECOMMENDED FROM FACT; LIBERTY COUNTY IS A FACT COUNTY AS WELL AND ATTORNEY GROVER IS VERY FAMILIAR WITH JUST CALL PROGRAM AND THE ATTORNEYS THE COUNTY USES FOR EMPLOYMENT LAW QUESTIONS, LIABILITIES, ETC. KEN MONEGHAN AND TIM WARNER OF FACT BOTH SPEAK HIGHLY OF ATTORNEY GROVER.

HEATHER ASKED ATTORNEY GROVER ABOUT MEETING CONFLICTS; WASHINGTON COUNTY MEETS ON THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AND ASKED WHEN DOES LIBERTY COUNTY MEET.

ATTORNEY GROVER SAID LIBERTY COUNTY HAS ALTERNATED; SOMETIMES THEY USE TUESDAY AND SOMETIMES THEY USE THURSDAY. THEY CURRENTLY USE THE 1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH. SHE EXPLAINED SHE HAS A REAL GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LIBERTY COUNTY BOARD AND IF THERE WAS EVER A CONFLICT, SHE FEELS COMFORTABLE SHE COULD GO TO THEM AND ASK IF THEY WOULD MIND RESCHEDULING AND SHE BELIEVES THEY WOULD DO IT FOR HER.

HEATHER ASKED ATTORNEY GROVER TO TELL THE BOARD A LITTLE ABOUT HER OFFICE STAFF AND HOW ACCESSIBLE SHE IS AS FAR AS EMAIL, TEXTING, ETC. AND HOW IS SHE AS FAR AS RETURNING PHONE CALLS.

ATTORNEY GROVER STATED CURRENTLY SHE IS AN OFFICE STAFF OF JUST HER; SHE LIKES THAT BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE A MIDDLE MAN TO GO THROUGH. SHE GIVES EVERYBODY HER CELL PHONE NUMBER, BUSINESS NUMBER AND HOME PHONE NUMBER; SHE SEES HER JOB AS A TWENTY FOUR HOUR JOB AND ANYTIME THEY NEED HER, THEY CAN CALL HER. SHE HAS HAD COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE HAD AN ISSUE COME UP AT NIGHT AND THEY FEEL FREE THEY CAN GET IN TOUCH WITH HER. SHE REITERATED SHE IS VERY ACCESSIBLE; UNFORTUNATELY, SHE HAS A BLACKBERRY PHONE AND IT GOES ALL THE TIME ON EMAILS. THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO GET UP WITH HER BY EMAIL ANYTIME OR BY PHONE. ONE OF THE THINGS SHE THINKS IS IMPORTANT WITH A COUNTY ATTORNEY POSITION IS THAT THINGS DO COME UP AT THE LAST MINUTE AND THEY NEED

A QUICK ANSWER AND THEY NEED SOMEBODY THEY CAN GO TO GET THAT ANSWER.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY GROVER HOW SHE WOULD HANDLE A WORK DAY AS COUNTY ATTORNEY WHICH INCLUDED A BCC MEETING (INCLUDING A PUBLIC HEARING), A BOND CLOSING, AND AN APPEAL DEADLINE.

ATTORNEY GROVER SAID EVERY NIGHT BEFORE SHE GOES TO BED, SHE ACTUALLY PRIORITIZES HER DAY; SHE WILL FIGURE WHAT SHE NEEDS TO GET DONE FIRST AND RANK IT. SHE WOULD FIGURE OUT WHAT TIME EACH OF THESE THINGS WOULD OCCUR, RANK THEM AND MAKE SURE SHE WENT TO ALL OF THEM. IF THERE WAS SOMETHING SHE COULDN'T GO TO DUE TO A CONFLICT, SHE WOULD ASK THE JUDGE FOR A CONTINUANCE ON THAT OR TO APPEAR BY TELEPHONE.

HEATHER TOLD ATTORNEY GROVER EACH OF THE OTHER APPLICANTS HAS TOLD THE BOARD A LITTLE ABOUT THEMSELVES.

ATTORNEY GROVER SAID SHE HAD BEEN AN ATTORNEY FOR 11 OR 12 YEARS; HER HUSBAND IS THE CALHOUN COUNTY JUDGE IN BLOUNTSTOWN. SHE HAS A SEVEN YEAR OLD AND A TWO YEAR OLD. AS A LAWYER, SHE HAS DONE A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING; BUT, PRIMARILY SHE HAS BEEN COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS AND THAT ENCOMPASSES A LOT OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF LAW; EMPLOYMENT LAW, PURCHASES, CONTRACTS, LAND, TITLES, ETC. ONE OF THE REASONS SHE WOULD LIKE TO GET THE JOB AS COUNTY ATTORNEY IS BECAUSE SHE ENJOYS THIS TYPE OF WORK; SHE ENJOYS WORKING WITH THE COMMISSIONERS AND THE PUBLIC AND SHE THINKS THERE IS AN ART TO IT. YOU CAN BE A GOOD ATTORNEY; BUT, NOT NECESSARILY A GOOD COUNTY ATTORNEY. SHE FEELS THERE IS AN ART WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC AND SHE THINKS SHE DOES A GOOD JOB WITH DEALING WITH THE PUBLIC AND TRYING TO AVOID CONFLICTS WHEN POSSIBLE.

THE BOARD RECESSED UNTIL ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY ARRIVES AT THE MEETING; SHE WAS SCHEDULED FOR 2:00 P.M.

ATTORNEY KRISTI MILLER NOVONGLOSKY TOLD THE BOARD A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HERSELF. SHE MOVED TO CHIPLEY IN 1986 WHEN HER DAD MOVED THEM FROM MEMPHIS TENNESSEE SO HE COULD OPEN UP HIS DENTAL PRACTICE. SHE GRADUATED FROM CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL, WENT TO CHIPOLA JUNIOR COLLEGE,

WENT TO FLORIDA STATE AND ENDED UP TRANSFERRING AND FINISHING AT TROY STATE IN DOTHAN, ALABAMA SO SHE COULD WORK DURING THE DAY TIME AND GO TO SCHOOL AT NIGHT AND GET HER DEGREE. AFTER GETTING OUT IN THE WORKFORCE, SHE DECIDED TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL AND GET HER DEGREE IN LAW; SHE DID THAT AT CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW IN BIRMINGHAM. AS SOON AS SHE GOT HER BAR LICENSE, SHE IMMEDIATELY OPENED UP A PRIVATE PRACTICE AND HAS BEEN IN PRIVATE PRACTICE EVER SINCE. SHE STARTED OUT IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, WAS BRIEFLY IN HOLMES COUNTY AND CAME BACK TO WASHINGTON COUNTY AND HAS BEEN HERE EVER SINCE. SHE OWNS THE LAW OFFICE AND ALSO HAD A TITLE COMPANY FOR A WHILE; SHE WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO OPEN UP A TITLE COMPANY WHEN THE REAL ESTATE BUSINESS WAS DOING REALLY WELL AND FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO GET OUT OF THE TITLE COMPANY BUSINESS WHEN SHE SAW THINGS WERE TAKING A DOWN TURN. WHAT SHE BASICALLY HAS IS A PRIVATE PRACTICE AND SHE FEELS THAT IS WHAT ANYONE PRIVATELY PRACTICING IN WASHINGTON COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO DO TO BE ABLE TO ACCOMODATE THE NEEDS OF THE CLIENTS THEY HAVE. SHE DOES A LOT OF REAL ESTATE PRACTICE, SHE HAD DONE GENERAL CIVIL LITIGATION, CORPORATE STUFF AND FAMILY LAW. SHE IS WELL VERSED IN SEVERAL AREAS OF THE LAW AND HAS THE ABILITY TO ADAPT FROM ONE SITUATION TO ANOTHER WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT WOULD CERTAINLY BENEFIT THE BOARD. SHE HAS A WONDERFUL OFFICE STAFF; SHE HAS A PARALEGAL WHO DOES RESEARCH AND DRAFTS DOCUMENTS AND THIS HELPS HER TO KEEP THE COST DOWN FOR HER CLIENTS AND ALSO HELPS TO GET TIMELY RESPONSES AND TIMELY ANSWERS OUT TO THEIR CLIENTS. SHE ALSO HAS A PERSONAL ASSISTANT WHO WORKS WELL WITH PEOPLE; SHE IS GOOD AT ANSWERING CALLS, TALKING TO PEOPLE AS THEY COME IN, FINDING OUT WHAT IT IS THEY NEED TO KNOW AND THEN GETTING WITH HER OR CHRISTY TO MAKE SURE THEY GET THE PEOPLE AN ANSWER OR THE INFORMATION THEY NEED. THAT IS WHY SHE LIKES TO THINK OF CHRISTY MORE LIKE A COMMUNICATIONS FACILITATOR BECAUSE SHE KEEPS THINGS GOING.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY POINTED OUT IN HER RESUME HER LAW FIRM HAS REALLY GOOD OPEN COMMUNICATION LINES WITH THEIR CLIENTS AND WORKS

REALLY HARD TO PROMPTLY GET ANSWERS AND RESPONSES. IT IS NOT GOING TO DO THE BOARD ANY GOOD IF SHE HAS THE ANSWERS IF SHE IS NOT GETTING THEM TO THE BOARD. SHE HAS TRIED TO USE THIS TO DIFFERENTIATE HER FIRM FROM THE OTHER FIRMS OUT THERE AND IT SEEMS TO HAVE WORKED. SHE HAS BEEN FORTUNATE ENOUGH THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE ENTRUSTED HER WITH REALLY IMPORTANT MATTERS AND SHE HAS BEEN ABLE TO STAY IN PRIVATE PRACTICE AND MAKE IT AND MAKE A GOOD LIVING DOING THIS. SHE HAS REALLY ENJOYED IT. SHE SAID SHE LIVES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, HAS A FAMILY SHE IS RAISING IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND SHE WOULD LOVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THE BOARD. SHE THINKS SHE HAS A VESTED INTEREST SINCE SHE DOES LIVE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, OWNS PROPERTY HERE AND OWNS A BUSINESS HERE. SHE THINKS IT WOULD BE A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR HER TO BE ABLE TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THIS IS WHERE SHE PLANS FOR HER SON TO LIVE HIS ENTIRE LIFE.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY, AS FAR AS HER FEE PROPOSAL, SAID THE BOARD PROBABLY HAS SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT WHICH SHE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER. ONE OF THE THINGS SHE WANTED TO CLARIFY IS SHE PUT IN HER FEE PROPOSAL THERE WOULD BE A \$750 MONTHLY RETAINER; THIS MEANS THE \$750 A MONTH WOULD GO AGAINST THEIR MONTHLY BILLABLE HOURS. IN HER CONTRACT, SHE PROPOSES SHE WILL DO A \$750 PER MONTH RETAINER AND A \$125 PER HOUR RATE FOR HER, THE WORK HER PARALEGAL DOES AND HER RECEPTIONIST WILL BE BILLED AT A LESSER RATE WHICH IS SET FORTH IN THE CONTRACT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY WHAT LEARNING ACTIVITIES HAS SHE TAKEN ON THIS PAST YEAR.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY ADDRESSED THE LEGISLATURE IS CONSTANTLY CHANGING THE LAW AND HAVE IN THE PAST FEW YEARS REWRITTEN FAMILY LAW AND ATTORNEYS HAVE HAD TO ACTUALLY BASICALLY RELEARN WHAT THEY THOUGHT WAS THE LAW. THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF CHANGES WITH REAL ESTATE AS WELL IN HOW THEY ARE HANDLING FORECLOSURES TO BE A LITTLE BIT MORE FAIR TO PROPERTY OWNERS. BEING AN ATTORNEY, YOU ARE CONSTANTLY

HAVING TO GO THROUGH LEARNING ACTIVITIES; THERE ARE SOME REALLY GOOD SERVICES AVAILABLE. THEY ARE CONSTANTLY BEING EMAILED LAW UPDATES, THERE WILL BE A BRIEF SYNOPSIS AND THEY CAN GO TO CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES, PURCHASE TAPES, ETC. SHE HAS A LIBRARY FULL OF THESE ITEMS TO KEEP HER ABREAST OF WHAT IS GOING ON.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID, SO IN OTHER WORDS, ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY IS SAYING SHE STAYS UPDATED ON ALL THE CHANGES IN THE LAW. ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY STATED THAT WAS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY TO TELL THE BOARD ABOUT HER EXPERIENCE IN REPORTING TO AND INTERACTING WITH A GOVERNING BOARD AND ELECTED OFFICIALS.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID SHE REPRESENTS THE TAX COLLECTOR AND PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE. SHE WELCOMED THE BOARD TO TALK WITH EITHER OF THESE ELECTED OFFICIALS AS SHE FEELS THEY HAVE BEEN PLEASED WITH THE SERVICE SHE PROVIDES. THEY CAN ATTEST TO THE WAY HER FIRM TIMELY RESPONDS TO THEIR NEEDS. THEY HAVE HER CELL PHONE NUMBERS, HER EMAIL, ETC.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED HOW THE COUNTY ATTORNEY CONTRIBUTES TO THE FINANCIAL SUCCESS OF THIS ORGANIZATION.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID, FIRST OF ALL, THE ATTORNEY IS THERE TO GIVE REALLY GOOD ADVICE AND TO MAKE SURE THE BOARD KNOWS EVERYTHING THEY NEED TO KNOW TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION SO THAT SOMETHING DOESN'T COME BACK TO BITE THEM LATER WHICH COULD BE COSTLY. THE COUNTY ATTORNEY CAN SAVE THE BOARD MONEY BY PROVIDING SERVICES IN AN EFFICIENT MANNER AND BEING A PRIVATE BUSINESS OWNER, SHE SAID SHE KNOWS ALL ABOUT THAT. SHE URGED THE BOARD TO TALK TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER AND TAX COLLECTOR ABOUT HER BILLING METHODS; SHE THINKS THEY HAVE BEEN PLEASANTLY SURPRISED AND PLEASED WITH THE WAY SHE HAS BILLED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY TO UPDATE THE BOARD ON HER EXPERIENCE WITH DOING DEEDS AND EASEMENTS.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID THE MAJORITY OF WHAT SHE DOES IS

FAMILY LAW AND REAL PROPERTY; SHE IS FAMILIAR WITH DRAFTING EASEMENTS AND DEEDS AND DEALS WITH THINGS THAT ARE A LOT MORE CHALLENGING THAN THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY IF SHE WOULD HAVE A PROBLEM HANDLING A CASE FOR THE COUNTY THAT INVOLVED A LAND DISPUTE OR ZONING DISPUTE SO THE COUNTY WOULDN'T HAVE TO HIRE OUTSIDE SERVICES TO HANDLE THE CASE.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID "ABSOLUTELY NOT."

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ABOUT ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY'S ASSOCIATION WITH THE PROPERTY APPRAISER AND TAX COLLECTOR POSSIBLY BEING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID SHE HAD MADE BOTH ELECTED OFFICIALS AWARE SHE WAS SUBMITTING A BID FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY; IF SHE WAS HIRED AS COUNTY ATTORNEY, SHE THINKS THE PROPERTY APPRAISER AND TAX COLLECTOR WOULD BID FOR THOSE POSITIONS. SHE DOESN'T THINK IT WOULD BE FAIR TO THEM. SHE IS AFRAID THEY WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO GET THE SAME SERVICE SHE HAS BEEN ABLE TO GIVE THEM BEFORE AND SHE DON'T WANT THEM TO HAVE TO OUTSOURCE EITHER BECAUSE THAT IS ALL AFFECTING OUR COUNTY. THEY NEED TO HAVE SOMEONE THEY CAN HAVE ON A REGULAR BASIS THAT CAN HANDLE EVERYTHING TOGETHER. SHE THINKS THE ULTIMATE DECISION IS UP TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER AND TAX COLLECTOR.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ADDRESSED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY REPRESENTING THE PROPERTY APPRAISER ON THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD PROCESS. ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID THAT WAS CORRECT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY HOW WELL SHE KEEPS UP WITH HER PAPERWORK. HE ADDRESSED IF THEY FACE AN ISSUE TODAY AND TWELVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS LATER SHE IS STILL THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND THIS ISSUE COMES UP AGAIN, WOULD SHE STILL HAVE HER PAPERWORK AND BE ABLE TO GO BACK WITHOUT HAVING TO DO A LOT OF RESEARCH.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID HER FIRM TRIES TO KEEP THE PAPERWORK AS LONG AS THEY CAN BECAUSE IT MAKES THEIR LIFE A LOT EASIER. SHE ADDRESSED THEY NEED MORE STORAGE SPACE BECAUSE SHE KEEPS TOO MUCH

STUFF; BUT, SHE LIKES TO KEEP IT BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU ARE GOING TO NEED IT AGAIN. ON TOP OF THAT, SHE NEVER KNOWS WHEN HER CLIENTS ARE GOING TO MISPLACE SOMETHING THEY HAD GIVEN HER A COPY OF. THE FLORIDA BAR DOESN'T REQUIRE ATTORNEYS TO KEEP EVERYTHING THAT LONG; BUT, SHE DOES TO BE SAFE. IF SHE IS IN A POSITION WHERE SHE IS RETAINED AS AN ATTORNEY, THOSE DOCUMENTS HAVE SOME KIND OF PREFERENCE BECAUSE IT IS AN ONGOING REPRESENTATION SO YOU WOULD KEEP THOSE DOCUMENTS WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE REPRESENTATION. SHE KEEPS ALL HER OPEN CASES OPEN AND THE COUNTY'S DOCUMENTS WOULD BE CONSIDERED OPEN BECAUSE IT IS AN ONGOING REPRESENTATION.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY HOW SHE WOULD HANDLE A WORK DAY AS COUNTY ATTORNEY WHICH INCLUDED A BCC MEETING (INCLUDING A PUBLIC HEARING), A COURT HEARING, A BOND CLOSING, AND AN APPEAL DEADLINE.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SAID THAT IS JUST THE NATURE OF WHAT THEY DO. SHE REFERRED TO ANGELA BEING REALLY GOOD AT MAINTAINING HER CALENDAR TO MAKE SURE SHE IS WHERE SHE IS SUPPOSE TO BE AND THAT SHE HAS EVERYTHING SHE NEEDS WHEN SHE IS GOING WHERE SHE NEEDS TO GO BECAUSE THINGS DO GET HECTIC. THE IMPORTANT THING IS TO BE AS PREPARED AS YOU CAN WITH WHAT YOU KNOW IS COMING UP SO YOU CAN HANDLE OTHER THINGS THAT GET THROWN AT YOU WITHOUT IT THROWING YOU OFF ON EVERYTHING ELSE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF THE BOARD OR ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE HAD ANY MORE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS. THERE WAS NO RESPONSE.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY ASKED WHEN THE BOARD WAS PLANNING ON MAKING SOME KIND OF DECISION ON THEIR CHOICE FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IT YET.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY ASKED IF THEY HAD AN IDEA OF WHEN THE NEW ATTORNEY WOULD BE TRANSITIONED TO THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY NEEDED SOMEONE TODAY; THE DECISION WOULD BE MADE QUICKLY.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WOULD GUESS IT WOULD BE NO LATER THAN

NOVEMBER 2ND OR 3RD. ACTUALLY, THE REORGANIZATION DATE IS NOVEMBER 16TH.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL WANTED TO DISCUSS TODAY THE ATTORNEY PRESENTATIONS AND DECIDE IF THEY WANT TO MAKE A DECISION TODAY OR WAIT UNTIL NEXT WEEK.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO LOOK OVER IN DEPTH THE FEE STRUCTURE, ETC.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CALLED FOR A FIVE MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, THE BOARD RANKED THE ATTORNEY PRESENTATIONS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE RANKED THE PRESENTATIONS FROM 1-10 AND HE RANKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN 9 ON HIS PRESENTATION. HIS FEE IS \$800 A MONTH WHICH INCLUDES ATTENDANCE TO UP TO THREE BOARD MEETINGS PER MONTH PLUS TWO HOURS OF ADDITIONAL LEGAL WORK PER MONTH. ALL REQUESTED OR NECESSARY LEGAL WORK DONE OVER AND ABOVE THE TWO (2) HOURS WILL BE BILLED AT \$170 PER HOUR. THE \$800 PER MONTH IS PROBABLY A LITTLE MORE THAN WHAT THEY WERE PAYING THEIR CURRENT ATTORNEY; BUT, THEIR PER HOUR FEE IS A LOT MORE. HOWEVER, YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR HE GUESSED.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY AND ATTORNEY ENGUM RANKED ABOUT THE SAME WITH THEIR PRESENTATION. HE HAS ATTORNEY GROVER RANKED AT THE BOTTOM; THEY ALL MADE GOOD PRESENTATIONS BUT HE WASN'T THAT IMPRESSED WITH ATTORNEY GROVER.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE RANKED ATTORNEY GOODMAN THE HIGHEST WITH ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY RANKED THE NEXT HIGHEST. WITH THEM LIVING IN WASHINGTON COUNTY MEANS A LOT; THE BOARD CAN ALWAYS GO TO THEM.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID PROBABLY THE REASON HE DID RANK ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY #2 IS BECAUSE HAVING SET ON THE VAB FOR FOUR YEARS, IF THEY HAD GOTTEN IN A HASSLE BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE PROPERTY APPRAISER, SHE CAN'T SERVE TWO MASTERS AT ONE TIME.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REFERRED TO ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY HAVING

SAID THAT HERE. HE THOUGHT IF THE BOARD HIRED ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY, SHE WOULD GIVE UP ONE OR TWO OF THOSE THINGS SHE IS DOING.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN RATED THE ATTORNEY PRESENTATIONS ON A SCALE FROM 1-10 AND IN REVIEWING THEIR PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS AND LISTENING TO THEIR PRESENTATIONS, HE RATED ATTORNEY GOODMAN 9.5, ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY 9.4. HE DOESN'T THINK SHE WOULD GO THAT ROUTE OR DO ANYTHING; BUT, THERE MAY BE FAVORITISM TO AN EXTENT BECAUSE THE POSITION SHE IS IN THE COUNTY AND THE PEOPLE SHE KNOWS, ETC. HE DOESN'T SAY THAT TO BE JUDGMENTAL; BUT, THAT IS ONE OF HIS CONCERNS WITH HER. THE OTHER TWO ATTORNEYS, THEY WERE OKAY; BUT, HIS TOP TWO WERE ATTORNEY GOODMAN AND ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY WITH ATTORNEY GOODMAN BEING HIS PREFERENCE. THERE AGAIN, YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE FEELS LIKE THE BOARD NEEDS SOMEBODY LOCAL; FOR HIM, IT WAS NARROWED DOWN TO ATTORNEY GOODMAN AND ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY. ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY SEEMS TO HAVE REAL ESTATE EXPERIENCE AND ATTORNEY GOODMAN HAS A LOT OF EXPERIENCE ON THE CONTRACT SIDE OF THE BUSINESS. THE FEES, ETC. THE BOARD NEEDS TO STUDY A LITTLE BIT MORE. HE ASKED IF THIS IS SOMETHING THE BOARD COULD NEGOTIATE WITH THESE ATTORNEYS ON THEIR FEES.

HEATHER SAID HOLMES COUNTY AUTHORIZED THEIR CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO NEGOTIATE THE ATTORNEY FEES AND SOMEHOW THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PARTICIPATED SOMEWHAT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HOLMES COUNTY DIDN'T HAVE A COUNTY MANAGER.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND MR. PITTS TO TALK TO ATTORNEY GOODMAN AND ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY ON THEIR FEES AND WHEN THE BOARD RESUMES THEIR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, THEY CAN BRING THIS INFORMATION TO THE BOARD AND THE BOARD CAN MAKE A DECISION AT THAT TIME WHO THEY WANT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF HE WAS UNDERSTANDING HIM AND MR. PITTS WAS GOING TO NEGOTIATE THE FEES WITH BOTH THESE ATTORNEYS.

HE SUGGESTED THEY PICK #1 AND #2 AND NEGOTIATE WITH #1 AND IF THEY CAN'T, GO WITH #2.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND STRICKLAND SAID THEIR #1 PREFERENCE WAS ATTORNEY GOODMAN.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO ATTORNEY GOODMAN'S FEE BEING \$800 PER MONTH AND \$170 AN HOUR; ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY'S FEE IS \$750 PER MONTH AND \$125 AN HOUR. THERE IS NOT A WHOLE LOT OF DIFFERENCE THERE IN WHAT YOU GET.

MR. PITTS SAID HE WASN'T SURE FROM WHAT ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY GAVE, WHAT WAS INCLUDED IN THAT \$750 A MONTH. IN ATTORNEY GOODMAN'S PROPOSAL, IT SAYS THE \$800 A MONTH INCLUDES BOARD MEETINGS THREE TIMES A MONTH PLUS TWO HOURS OF ADDITIONAL SERVICES. THEY ARE NOT REALLY COMPARING APPLES TO APPLES. HE IS NOT SURE THE \$750 AN HOUR INCLUDED THE BOARD MEETINGS OR IF THEY WOULD BE BILLED PER HOUR.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID PERSONALLY HE WOULD TAKE THE TWO TOP RANKED ATTORNEYS, SEPARATE THE PRICE OUT, LOOK AT WHAT THE ATTORNEYS HAD SAID IN THEIR PRESENTATION, GO FROM THERE AND THEN NEGOTIATE IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO REINTERVIEW ON OCTOBER 27TH, WERE THEY HAPPY WITH WHAT THEY HEARD TODAY OR DO THEY WANT TO HEAR MORE.

COMMISSIONER PATE, HOLMAN AND STRICKLAND SAID THEY WERE HAPPY WITH WHAT THEY HEARD TODAY. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN AND COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY COULD TELL THE BOARD WHO THEY WOULD PICK TODAY.

MR. PITTS SAID IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE, BEFORE HE AND COMMISSIONER HOWELL NEGOTIATES WITH ANYONE, THEY WOULD GET AN ANSWER FROM ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY WHAT IS INCLUDED IN HER MONTHLY RETAINER.

TODD ASKED WHO THE BOARD LIKED THE BEST AND WAS IT NECESSARY TO EVEN FIND OUT WHAT WAS INCLUDED IN ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY'S MONTHLY RETAINER.

COMMISSIONER PATE THOUGHT ATTORNEY GOODMAN DID THE BEST PRESENTATION AND IS PROBABLY THE BEST LAWYER OVER ALL OF ALL OF THEM.

ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY DID A GOOD CREDITABLE PRESENTATION; THEY ALL DID A GOOD JOB.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REITERATED THE BOARD SHOULD SELECT A #1 AND #2; THAT WAY THEY COULD GO AHEAD AND NEGOTIATE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED FOR ATTORNEY GOODMAN TO BE RANKED #1 AND ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY RANKED #2. COMMISSIONER HOWELL OPPOSED.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID MR. PITTS AND COMMISSIONER HOWELL WOULD NEGOTIATE WITH ATTORNEY GOODMAN; IF NEGOTIATIONS CAN'T BE REACHED, GO TO ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED COMMISSIONER HOWELL WHY HE OPPOSED RANKING ATTORNEY GOODMAN #1.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE LIKED BOTH ATTORNEYS; HE THINKS ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY HAS A LITTLE BIT MORE TO BRING TO THE TABLE. ATTORNEY GOODMAN HAS THE CONTRACT EXPERIENCE AND ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY HAS THE REAL ESTATE EXPERIENCE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID AS LONG AS HE HAS BEEN ON THE BOARD, THE CONTRACTS WERE THE BIGGEST PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT EITHER ONE OF THE ATTORNEYS COULD DO A GOOD JOB AND IF IT ENDS UP BEING ATTORNEY GOODMAN, HE WOULD BE HAPPY.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF THE BOARD HAS A PROBLEM WITH THE PRICE IN ATTORNEY GOODMAN'S PROPOSAL.

COMMISSIONER PATE THOUGHT THE BOARD NEEDED TO GET CLARIFICATION ON WHAT ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY'S FEE SCHEDULE COVERED.

MR. PITTS SAID THE FIRST PART OF ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY'S FEE SCHEDULE SAYS \$750 PLUS \$125 PER HOUR; WHEN YOU READ THE SECOND OPTION, IT SAYS A FLAT \$250 PER HOUR. HE THINKS THE \$750 RETAINER PROBABLY DID INCLUDE A MEETING.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID TO HIM, HE WOULD READ IT AS INCLUDING A MEETING; ON OPTION 2, IF SHE SHOWED UP FOR A MEETING, IT WOULD BE \$250 AN HOUR.

MR. PITTS SAID ATTORNEY GOODMAN HAD GIVEN THE BOARD AN OPTION LIKE THAT TOO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT IF THE BOARD WENT BACK AND DISCUSSED COST WITH EITHER ONE OF THE ATTORNEYS, THEY ARE GOING TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO COME IN.

MR. PITTS THOUGHT THE \$170 PER HOUR WAS A LITTLE ON THE HIGH SIDE FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY ATTORNEY. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID \$250 AN HOUR CERTAINLY IS THEN.

HEATHER ADDRESSED IN ATTORNEY NOVONGLOSKY'S CONTRACT, IT CLARIFIES IF THE BOARD CALLS AND THE PARALEGAL DOES THE WORK, THEY WOULD ONLY BE CHARGED \$62.50 AN HOUR OUTSIDE THE RETAINER.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID DUE TO THERE BEING DIFFERENCES IN THE PROPOSALS, ASK THE TWO ATTORNEYS TO BREAK THEIRS DOWN SO THEY ARE SAYING THE SAME THING SO THE BOARD CAN TELL WHAT THEY ARE DOING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SUGGESTED GIVING THE TWO ATTORNEYS AN OPTION; HE AND MR. PITTS COME UP WITH SOMETHING TO HAND THE ATTORNEYS TO PRICE OUT.

MR. PITTS ASKED IF COMMISSIONER HOWELL UNDERSTOOD WHAT THE BOARD WAS ASKING THEM TO DO. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS TRYING TO GET THIS CLARIFIED NOW; HE QUESTIONED IF EVERYBODY WOULD BE OKAY WITH HIM AND MR. PITTS TO COME UP WITH A SCENARIO ON HOW THEY WANT THEIR COUNTY ATTORNEY TO OPERATE WITH THEM, THEY WANT THEM TO ATTEND "X" NUMBER OF MEETINGS A MONTH, PLUS CONSULTATION TIME. TELL THE ATTORNEYS THIS IS HOW THE BOARD OPERATES AND ASK THEM WHAT IT WAS GOING TO COST TO DO THESE THINGS; SUBMIT IT TO BOTH ATTORNEYS AND SEE WHAT THEY COME UP WITH.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE COULD TELL THE BOARD RIGHT NOW WHO HE WANTS AS COUNTY ATTORNEY; BUT, HE HAS A COMMISSIONER ON HIS LEFT AND TWO ON HIS RIGHT, WITHOUT THEM SAYING YES TO THE SAME OPINION HE HAS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REFERRED TO THERE BEING ONE COMMISSIONER WHO HAS NOT EVEN HEARD ANY OF THESE PRESENTATIONS THAT IS GOING TO BE

HERE NEXT WEEK AND WE ARE NOT GOING TO EXPLAIN IT ALL TO HIM AGAIN.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THEY ARE NOT GOING TO GO OVER AND OVER IT AGAIN EITHER. KATHY FOSTER SAID VOTE TODAY THEN.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SUGGESTED THEY MAKE A DECISION TODAY AND BE DONE WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE BOARD HAS IN AFFECT SAID THEY WANTED ATTORNEY GOODMAN IF THEY CAN NEGOTIATE WITH HIM. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID UNLESS SOMETHING SHOWS UP IN THE NEGOTIATIONS TO STOP IT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE DIDN'T SEE ANY REASON WHY THEY COULDN'T GO AHEAD AND MAKE A MOTION TO ACCEPT MR. GOODMAN AS THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND THEN LET MR. PITTS ASK GOODMAN COULD THEY NEGOTIATE THE FEES.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE MOTION WAS ATTORNEY GOODMAN WAS #1 TO NEGOTIATE WITH; IF THEY CAN'T NEGOTIATE WITH GOODMAN, THEY MOVE ON TO #2. ATTORNEY GOODMAN WAS RANKED #1.

MR. PITTS SAID HE AND COMMISSIONER HOWELL WAS TO BRING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD NEXT WEDNESDAY AND THEY WILL MAKE A DECISION AS WHO THEY WANT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. PITTS AND HOWELL TO BRING A PROPOSAL BACK FROM BOTH THE ATTORNEYS BY NEXT WEDNESDAY AND THE BOARD WILL MAKE A DECISION WEDNESDAY AS TO WHO THEY WANT.

KATHY FOSTER QUESTIONED, SINCE COMMISSIONER BROCK IS NOT HERE, IF HE SHOWS UP NEXT WEEK AND SAYS HE WANTS TO STUDY THE PRESENTATIONS, WHAT IS THE VOTE GOING TO BE THEN. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IT WOULD BE 4-1.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN RECESSED THE MEETING UNTIL OCTOBER 27TH AT 3:00 P.M.

ATTEST: _____
DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN