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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 CHAIRMAN BUSH, VICE-CHAIRMAN PATE, COMMISSIONERS, BROCK, ABBOTT, AND GOTHARD PRESENT. DEPUTY CLERK BRANTLEY, CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK BELL, CLERK COOK, COUNTY COORDINATOR CORBIN, AND COUNTY ATTORNEY JEFF GOODMAN ATTENDED.

I. PROCLAMATION

A. CALL TO ORDER - CHAIRMAN BUSH

B. INVOCATION/PLEDGE - COUNTY COORDINATOR CORBIN/CHAIRMAN BUSH

II. PUBLIC HEARING -

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

MR. DERUNTZ, SENIOR PLANNER ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN REFERENCE TO A SMALL SCALE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT. THE PROPERTY IS OWNED BY MR. HOBBS AND IS LOCATED IN VERNON. THE CURRENT LAND USE DESIGNATION IS PUBLIC/SEMI-PUBLIC.

MR. HOBBS HAS REQUESTED THE LAND USE BE CHANGED TO COMMERCIAL.

MR. DERUNTZ, SENIOR PLANNER ADVISED THE BOARD THAT HE HAS NO CONCERNS ABOUT THE LAND USE CHANGE. THE VERNON CITY COUNCIL ALSO RECOMMENDS APPROVAL.

CHAIRMAN BUSH OPENED THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC.

COUNTY ATTORNEY GOODMAN READ THE BOARD APPROVED PUBLIC COMMENT STATEMENT.

THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

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CDBG GRANT APPLICATION

MR. DERUNTZ, SENIOR PLANNER ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN REFERENCE TO THE OPPORTUNITY FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT. THIS IS THE FIRST OF FOUR MEETINGS TO BE HELD FOR PUBLIC INPUT.

COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER PROVIDED THE BOARD AN UPDATE ON THE GRANT APPLICATION. THE PROJECT PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED BY THE BOARD IS ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY, FROM THE END OF THE EXISTING PAVEMENT TO THE BEGINNING OF THE PAVEMENT ON QUAIL HOLLOW.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED AN UPDATE ON RHYTHM.

MR. DERUNTZ, SENIOR PLANNER ADDRESSED THE BOARD THEY ARE CURRENTLY APPLYING FOR PERMITS AS WELL AS EXPRESSING CONTINUED INTEREST IN DEVELOPING THAT AREA.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED HOW MUCH OF THE ROAD IS BEING INCLUDED IN THE CDBG GRANT THAT THE DEVELOPER IS TO PAVE PER THE AGREEMENT.

COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADVISED THE BOARD THAT HE IS UNSURE OF WHO IS RESPONSIBLE TO PAVE THE ROAD BECAUSE SPRING RIDGE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SOME PAVING.

CHAIRMAN BUSH CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING.

III. ADOPT AGENDA

CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDED DISCUSSION ABOUT THE RECENT ANALYSIS AND STUDY THAT WAS DONE BY SOUTHERN EARTH SCIENCE ON THE COURTHOUSE.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN ADDED AN UPDATED CDBG AGREEMENT THAT INCLUDES THE FINAL NUMBERS FROM THE PIPE PROJECT, WHICH IS \$205,784.00.

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COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GOTHARD AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

IV. ADOPT PREVIOUS MINUTES

NOVEMBER 18, 2013 - WORKSHOP

NOVEMBER 19, 2013 - REGULAR MEETING

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE ABOVE MINUTES. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. NON-AGENDA AUDIENCE - EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013, FLORIDA STATUTE 286.0114 MANDATES THAT "MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHALL BE GIVEN REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD ON A PROPOSITION BEFORE A BOARD OR COMMISSIONER." EACH INDIVIDUAL SHALL HAVE THREE (3) MINUTES TO SPEAK ON THE PROPOSITION BEFORE THE BOARD.

MR. HAYWARD BROCK ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN REFERENCE TO OPENING THE GATES. HE HAS SPOKEN TO MR. GARY CLARK WITH WATER MANAGEMENT. HE ALSO ASKED THE COMMISSIONERS TO APPOINT A FIVE (5)-MEMBER COMMITTEE TO ATTEND THE MEETING OF WATER MANAGEMENT.

MR. BROCK EXPRESSED CONCERNS ABOUT HOUSE BOATS AND SANITATION ON THE CREEK.

MRS. MELISSA COLLINS, ORANGE HILL VOLUNTEERS FIRE DEPARTMENT ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN REFERENCE TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S GOING UNDER THE SHERIFF AND THE HOLD UP ON PURCHASING SAFETY EQUIPMENT.

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT ADDRESSED THE BOARD THAT HE HAS RECEIVED CALLS FROM SEVERAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS ABOUT GUIDANCE.

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CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDRESSED MRS. COLLINS HE IS NOT AWARE OF A HOLD BEING PUT ON THE PURCHASE OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT, AND INTENDS TO CHECK ON IT.

MR. JIM MORRIS ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON IN REFERENCE TO FALLING WATERS ROAD INTERSECTION, WHICH IS FAIRWAY DRIVE. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO CUT THE HILL DOWN FOR SAFETY PURPOSES.

CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDRESSED MR. MORRIS THAT IT IS SOMETHING HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE DONE WITH THE FUNDING BEING FOUND.

COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADDRESSED THE BOARD THERE ARE OTHER PROBLEMS ON THAT ROAD. THE COST ESTIMATE TO FIX THE ROAD FOR 1.2 MILES, IF THE COUNTY DID ALL THE PREP WORK WOULD BE AROUND \$120,000.00.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SUGGESTED A SAFETY GRANT.

CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDRESSED THE BOARD HE HAS CHECKED ON THE SAFETY GRANT FOUND OUT THEY ARE NOT CURRENTLY ACTIVE.

COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADVISED THE BOARD A SURVEY IS THE FIRST STEP IN BEING ABLE TO PROVIDE THEM DIFFERENT OPTIONS.

MR. KEVIN SHAW, PAID FIREMAN AND FIREMAN WITH ORANGE HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN REFERENCE TO THE PROPOSAL OF BOBBY HADDOCK BEING OVER THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. REQUEST APPROVAL FOR THE CLERK OF COURT TO PAY VOUCHERS FOR NOVEMBER 2013 TOTALING \$1,464,439.62.
- B. APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHIPLEY CITY COUNCIL MEMBER TO TDC, LEE DELL KENNEDY, WILL SERVE A 4 YEAR TERM UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 IN SEAT #2.
- C. REAPPOINTMENT OF DANA PHILIPS TO SEAT #8

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D. RESIGNATION FROM TDC COUNCIL OF SCOTT SWEENEY, SEAT # 9

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COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT
AGENDA. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

VII. MR. PAT THOMAS, FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES AGENT, PRESENTED THE BOARD WITH A CHECK FOR \$27,021.00. THE CHECK IS THE BOARDS PRO RATA SHARE.

- INTRODUCTION OF SUSAN HUGHES, PANHANDLE PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE SYSTEM - RENAE ROUNTREE INTRODUCED MS. SUSAN HUGHES TO THE BOARD WHO STARTED WITH THE LIBRARY OCTOBER 4, 2013.
- ENTERPRISE ZONES - MR. DERUNTZ, SENIOR PLANNER, ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN REFERENCE TO INTEREST EXPRESSED BY THE CITY OF VERNON AND THE CITY OF EBRO IN EXPANDING/MODIFYING THEIR ENTERPRISE ZONE BOUNDARIES.

MR. TED EVERETT ADDRESSED THE BOARD THE ENTERPRISE ZONE IS A STATE INCENTIVE. IF A NEW BUSINESS IS SET UP IN AN ENTERPRISE ZONE AND CREATES FULL TIME JOBS THE STATE HAS A MECHANISM WHERE SOME OF THE SALARIES PAID TO THE NEWLY FULL TIME EMPLOYEES COME BACK TO THE BUSINESS OWNER. ANY BUILDINGS AND SALES TAX PAID FOR BUILDING MATERIALS PURCHASED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA UP TO A CERTAIN AMOUNT CAN COME BACK TO THE BUSINESS OWNER.

MR. EVERETT ASKED THE BOARD TO PASS THE NEW EZDA BOARD MEMBERS.

**COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY
COMMISSIONER ABBOTT AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION
FOR EXPANSION OF THE ENTERPRISE ZONES IN EBRO OR VERNON.
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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- SMALL SCALE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - PUBLIC/SEMI TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL - 3319 COURT STREET, VERNON, FLORIDA

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GOTHARD AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE SMALL SCALE LAND USE CHANGE IN THE CITY OF VERNON, MAKING THE CHANGE FROM PUBLIC/SEMI-PUBLIC TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL ON 3319 COURT STREET. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- LIFE MANAGEMENT INVOICE OCTOBER 2013 BILLING FOR BAKER ACT \$11,124.31

COMMISSIONER GOTHARD REQUESTED A MEETING WITH LIFE MANAGEMENT.

COMMISSIONER GOTHARD OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE LIFE MANAGEMENT INVOICE.

- CDBG SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT - ATTORNEY GOODMAN ADVISED THE BOARD THE AGREEMENT IS TO CLOSE OUT THE PIPE PROJECT. THE AMOUNT DUE HAS BEEN AMENDED TO \$205,784.71, WHICH THE BOARD WILL PAY BACK. THE LAST PAYMENT WILL BE OCTOBER 15, 2018. COUNTY ATTORNEY GOODMAN RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- SOUTHERN EARTH SCIENCE STUDY ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE - CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDRESSED THE BOARD THE STUDY REFLECTED NOT MUCH CONCERN ABOUT THE FIRST FLOOR, A PORTION OF THE SECOND FLOOR AND DID NOT SEEM TO REFLECT ANY CONCERN ABOUT THE THIRD FLOOR, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF AN AIR HANDLER

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THAT HANDLES THE AIR ON THE SECOND FLOOR. THE SIGNIFICANT CONCERN IS THE BASEMENT.

CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDRESSED THE BOARD THE JUDGES HAVE DECIDED TO MOVE OUT OF THE BUILDING. A DECISION NEEDS TO BE MADE ABOUT RELOCATING THE EMPLOYEES AT THE CLERKS OFFICE.

CHAIRMAN BUSH EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE LIABILITY BEING ON THE COUNTY.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD THE TESTING WAS DONE ON A PORTION OF THE COURTHOUSE. THE ARCHITECTS AND EXPERTS INVOLVED INDICATE THAT FURTHER TESTING SHOULD BE DONE.

ATTORNEY GOODMAN RECOMMENDED TO THE BOARD TO GIVE COUNTY COORDINATOR CORBIN THE AUTHORITY TO BEGIN THE PROCESS. IF RELOCATIONS NEED TO BE MADE, HE NEEDS TO FLEXIBILITY TO BE ABLE TO DO SO.

COUNTY ATTORNEY GOODMAN SUGGESTED A GENERAL MOTION TO GIVE COUNTY COORDINATOR CORBIN THE FLEXIBILITY TO SHUT DOWN ON A TEMPORARY BASIS SO THAT CAN BE LEGALLY DONE FOR CLEANING, SHORT TERM AND IF THERE NEEDS TO BE A RELOCATION HE HAS THAT AUTHORITY TO WORK WITH THOSE DEPARTMENTS IN MAKING SURE THAT IS EFFECTUATED.

CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDRESSED THE BOARD THAT A FULL STUDY HAS BEEN AGREED ON BY THE DECISION MAKING PARTIES INVOLVED.

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT ADDRESSED THE BOARD THAT IF COUNTY COORDINATOR CORBIN NEEDS TO SPEND A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF MONEY DURING THIS PROCESS HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT IT WITHIN 24 HOURS.

CHAIRMAN BUSH ADDRESSED THE BOARD THERE IS ABOUT 2,000 SQUARE FEET OF OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE BETWEEN THE COUNTY ANNEX AND THE AG CENTER.

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COUNTY COORDINATOR CORBIN ADDRESSED THE BOARD THERE IS 2,800 SQUARE FEET OF OFFICE SPACE.

COUNTY ATTORNEY GOODMAN ADVISED THE BOARD THE MOTION SHOULD BE TO GIVE DAVID CORBIN THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THE DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER THE COURTHOUSE CAN BE SHUT DOWN ON A TEMPORARY BASIS AND FIX THE REMEDIATION PROBLEM AND ALSO THE FLEXIBILITY TO MOVE THE CLERK AND THE JUDGE'S TO OTHER COUNTY OFFICE SPACE TO MAKE SURE THERE IS A FACILITATION OF GOVERNMENT ON AN ONGOING BASIS. THE PROCESS NEEDS TO START IMMEDIATELY.

COMMISSIONER GOTHARD OFFERED THE ABOVE MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VIII. COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN REFERENCE TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY FEMA PAVING CONTRACT ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS.

FALLING WATERS ROAD - IF THE BOARD CHOOSES TO PROCEED WITH FALLING WATERS ROAD THAT WILL NEED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED SURVEY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ABBOTT AND CARRIED TO APPROVE ATTORNEY GOODMAN PROCEEDING WITH THE BIDDING OF THE SMALL PAVEMENT PROJECTS, CONTINGENT UPON HIS REVIEW AND APPROVAL. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IMPROVED PROJECTS - COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER RECOMMENDED THE BOARD NOTIFY FEMA THAT THE FUNDS FOR SEVERAL ROADS LISTED ON A PW ARE GOING TO BE USED ON ONE ROAD. THE MONEY FROM ALL OF THE PROJECTS CAN BE USED ON ONE OR MORE PROJECTS WITHIN THAT PW BUT IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE ON ALL.

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FEMA WILL IN TURN SEND AN APPROVAL LETTER FOR THE PROJECT BUT THEY WILL NOT PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS ON THAT PROJECT.

CHAIRMAN BUSH ASKED COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER IF HE HAS HAD DISCUSSION, USING MILLED MATERIAL INSTEAD OF LIME ROCK.

COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADDRESSED CHAIRMAN BUSH HE HAS NOT.

CHAIRMAN BUSH EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT NOT USING THE MATERIAL AS DESCRIBED IN THE PW.

COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER SUGGESTED GETTING CONFIRMATION FROM FELICIA, JOYCE WATERS, AND RICK SANDERS.

ROAD PAVING MATRIX - COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADDRESSED THE BOARD IF THEY WOULD LIKE A NEW LIST OR A NEW WAY OF DOING THAT HE WOULD HELP THEM IN DOING SO.

COMMISSIONER GOTHARD EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE LIST BEING UPDATED TO FIGURE IN MAINTENANCE COST.

COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADVISED HER THAT WOULD BE CORRECT.

ROCHE ROAD - COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER ADVISED THE BOARD THE COMMUNITY MEETING IS SET FOR JANUARY 10, WHICH SHOULD BE ENOUGH TIME TO STAY ON TRACK.

- IX. BID AWARDS - NONE
- X. COUNTY COORDINATOR - NONE

MR. DALLAS CARTER, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR ADVISED THE BOARD PUBLIC WORKS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD IN REFERENCE TO BAD ROAD CONDITIONS ON ROCHE ROAD.

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THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADVISED MR. CARTER TO FIX IT IF IT IS IN POLICY.

MR. CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD IT WOULD BE CHEAPER TO FIX A GRADER THAT HAS NOT BEEN IN SERVICE. IN TURN, HE DOES NOT FEEL THE RENTAL/LEASE OF TRUCKS APPROVED AT A PRIOR MEETING IS NEEDED RIGHT NOW.

CHAIRMAN BUSH ADVISED MR. CARTER IF HE DECIDES LATER TO RENT/LEASE HE ALREADY HAS APPROVAL TO DO SO.

CHAIRMAN BUSH RE OPENED THE NON-AGENDA PORTION DUE TO ADDITIONS ADDED TO THE AGENDA

- APPROVAL OF A SURVEY ON THE SECTION OF FALLING WATERS FROM PARK ROAD DOWN SOUTH OF FAIRWAY DRIVE
- APPROVAL OF THE LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE EZDA

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE NAMES LISTED ON THE EZDA LIST. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

THE LIST IS COMPOSED OF THE FOLLOWING:

CINDY BIRGE
MICHELLE COOK
KEVIN CREWS
HELEN DANIEL
MIKE DERUNTZ
DAVID EVANS
GARRETT MARTIN
RICK MILLER
STEPHEN B REGISTER JR.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED FOR COUNTY ENGINEER KNAUER TO PROCEED WITH SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYS BID OF FALLING WATERS

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**PROVIDING SURVEYS TO INCLUDE THE PROPERTY BOUNDARIES. THE
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

COMMISSIONER GOTHARD ASKED COUNTY COORDINATOR CORBIN TO TRY
GETTING EVERYTHING ON THE AGENDA BEFORE THE MEETING.

- XI. CLERK - NONE
- XII. DEPUTY CLERK - NONE
- XIII. COUNTY ATTORNEY - NONE

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COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN.**

DEPUTY CLERK BRANTLEY

CHAIRMAN BUSH