BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES OF SPECIAL SESSION AUGUST 21, 1984

The Board of County Commission met this date in special session with the following members present, to-wit: Drew Peacock, Chairman, Donnell Whitfield, Jack Bowman, Monroe Cox and Roy Bailey.

Deputy Clerk Gail O'Bryan and Attorney David House were present and acting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Peacock.

Chairman Peacock stated the purpose of the meeting was for the Chamber of Commerce and the Board of County Commission to discuss requirements for Calhoun County becoming a Florida Blue Chip Community.

Mayor Laddie Williams, Bowers Sandusky, Dalton Hagler, Richard Ramsey, Brooks Hayes, Tommy Edwards and John Tomlinson, Sr. were present at the meeting representing the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Laddie Williams made a presentation to the Board on Florida Blue Chip Communities. He stated the program is designed with six major categories – the economic development organization, the community preparation and appearance committee, community information requirements, existing industry requirements, financial assistance requirements and site and building requirements. He stated 25 acres of land of identified industrial land was one of the site and building requirements. Mayor Williams explained some of the program objectives of a Florida Blue Chip Community are to encourage communities to assess their strengths and weaknesses, to assist communities in planning and preparing economic development strategy, to serve as a guide for a community to measure their preparedness for economic development and to use the Blue Chip designation as an advertising and promotional tool to improve overall marketing efforts.

The Board and the Chamber discussed possible land sites for an industrial park for Calhoun County.

Commissioner Whitfield stated there was 60 acres owed by the County by S. B. Atkins Park. The Board and Chamber agreed to meet with the county engineer and other knowledgable individuals to determine if the acreage by S. B. Atkins Park could be used as an industrial park and if that site was not feasible, to investigate other possible land.

There being no further business, the Board did then adjourn.

ATTEST:

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Clerk

DREW PEACOCK

Chairman