MEETING OF 01/06/87

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET THIS DATE IN REGULAR SESSION.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

THE FOLLOWING COMMISSIONERS WERE PRESENT:

RONALD WOOD, CHAIRMAN J.M. DILLARD EMMANUEL HIRES CHARLES RICHARDS WILLIE T, GRANT

PRESENT AND ACTING

ALSO PRESENT AND ACTING:

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK GAIL O'BRYAN, DEPUTY CLERK DAVID HOUSE, ATTORNEY WILLIAM SMITH, SHERIFF

CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY SHERIFF SMITH, FOLLOWED WITH PRAYER BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

VANITA ANDERSON RE: LEASE AGREEMENT FOR SENIORS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION VANITA ANDERSON THE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION REPRESENTIVES WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING TO PRESENT A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION OFFICE SPACE.

PORTABLE RADIO OR TELEPHONE DISCUSSED FOR SANITARY LANDFILL THE BOARD DISCUSSED A PORTABLE RADIO UNIT OR A TELEPHONE FOR THE SANITARY LANDFILL. THE BOARD TABLED THE ISSUE UNTIL THEY AND CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR COULD CHECK FURTHER ON THE RADIOS.

MR. ROBERT NATIONS REPORTED ON GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL IND. PARK. MR. ROBERT NATIONS WITH BASKERVILLE-DONOVAN ENGINEERS, MADE A REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND THE PANHANDLE CATFISH, INC.

MR. BARBEE TO MEET WITH
MR. COTTON RE: AGRICULTURAL
IND. PARK SITE.

MR. BARBEE STATED COTTON WHITE WOULD MEET WITH HIM THURSDAY ON THE SITE LOCATION FOR THE AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL PARK. MR. BARBEE STATED HE WAS VERY OPTOMISTIC ABOUT THE GRANTS AND THEIR PROGRESS, SO FAR.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING PROJECTED LAND SITE FOR IND. PARK. THE BOARD, MR. BARBEE AND ROBERT NATIONS, DISCUSSED THE PROJECTED LAND SITE FOR THE PARK, AND THE AMOUNT OF ACREAGE NEEDED FOR THE PARK.

BUD CLARK RE: CDBG GRANT APPLICATION FOR 1987/88.

MR. BUD CLARK, OF CLARK, ROUMELIS AND ASSOCIATES MET WITH THE BOARD TO PRESENT AND DISCUSS THE PROPOSED CDBG GRANT APPLICATION FOR 1987-88.

REPORT ON OGLESBY RD.

MR. BOB KING OF BAY ENGINEERING WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING AND MADE A REPORT ON THE OGLESBY ROAD.

MOTION TO RENAME N.E. BALLFIELD.

COMMISSIONER HIRES MOVED TO NAME N.E. BALLFIELD AT S.B. ATKINS PARK, VICK GRIFFIN MEMORIAL FIELD. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARD, AND DULY CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER DILLARD REPORT REGARDING MORGAN TUCKER.

COMMISSIONER DILLARD REPORTED THE MRS. TUCKER HAD SPOKEN TO HIM REGARDING HER SON MORGAN TUCKER. HE STATED THAT MORGAN HAD WORKED FOR THE COUNTY FOR 13 YEARS, AND IN 1985, DUE TO ILLNESS MR. TUCKER ASKED TO BE CHANGED FROM AN OPERATOR TO A TRUCK DRIVER, AND AT THAT TIME HIS PAY WAS CUT. HE STATED HE HAD SINCE BEEN WORKING AS A TRUCK DRIVER AND OPERATOR. COMMISSIONERS WOOD, HIRES, AND RICHARDS STATED THE DECISION TO CHANGE POSITIONS AND PAY WAS MUTUALLY AGREED ON BY ALL CONCERNED AT THE TIME, HOWEVER IF MORGAN WAS ACTING AS AN OPERATOR, IT CERTAINLY SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO. CHAIRMAN WOOD STATED HE WOULD GET WITH MORGAN TUCKER AND SEE WHAT COULD BE WORKED OUT.

MOTION TO PLACE CONSISTANT REGULATORY SPEED LIMIT SIGNS IN KINARD AND HUGH CREEK.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SCEONDED BY COMMISSIONER DILLARD, AND DULY CARRIED FOR A PLACEMENT OF CONSISTANT REGULATORY SPEED LIMIT OF 45 MILES PER HR. SIGNS ON HIGHWAY 73S IN THE KINARD COMMUNITY AND HIGHWAY 69S IN THE HUGH CREEK COMMUNITY, AS PER FLORIDA STATE STATUTES.

LETTER FROM PREMIER STRIPPING DICUSSED.

CHAIRMAN WOOD PRESENTED A LETTER FROM PREMIER STRIPPING COMPANY, PROPOSING TO DO STRIPPING ON ROADS FOR .05 CENTS A FOOT.

MOTION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR STRIPPING OF ROADS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, AND DULY CARRIED TO SOLICIT FOR BIDS FOR STRIPPING OF THE PAVED RAODS IN CLAHOUN COUNTY.

CLERK WISE PRESENTED FLEEP APPLICATION.

CLERK WISE PRESENTED FLORIDA LOCAL ENERGY ENGINEERING PROGRAM, FLEEP APPLICATION. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, AND DULY CARRIED TO ALLOW ROBERT NATIONS, AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY TO SUBMIT GOVERNORS ENERGY PACKET APPLICATION, AND UPON FUNDING FURTHER EVALUATION CAN BE DONE FOR DISPOSITION OF IT.

CLERK WISE PRESENTED A LETTER FROM MR. FIRESTONE RE: STATE AID FOR CAL. COUNTY LIBRARY. CLERK WISE PRESENTED A LETTER FROM GEORGE FIRESTONE'S OFFICE APPROPRIATING \$33,135.00 IN STATE AID FOR CALHOUN COUNTY LIBRARY, BASED ON THE \$60,000.00 APPROPIATED BY CALHOUN COUNTY. THIS AMOUNT INCLUDES A ONE TIME STATE AID ESTABLISHMENT GRANT OF \$23,935.64 AND APPROPIATED \$9,200.00 OPERATING AND EQUALIZATION GRANT.

MOTION: RE: SIGNS FOR LIBRARY PARKING

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, AND DULY

CARRIED TO ORDER SIGNS FOR THE LIBRARY PARKING, ONLY FOR THE LIBRARY.

CLERK PRESENTS LETTER FROM C.C. BRIDGES STATING HE HAD SOLD HIS BUSINESS. CLERK WISE PRESENTED A LETTER FROM C.C. BRIDGES STATING HE HAD SOLD HIS BUSINESS TO BENNETT EUBANKS AND THAT MR. EUBANKS WOULD CONTINUE TO HONOR HIS BID TO THE COUNTY FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

A MOTION TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR ALL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DILLARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, AND DULY CARRIED TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR ALL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

RECESS UNTIL 6:00PM

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, AND DULY CARRIED TO RECESS UNTIL 6:00 PM.

BOARD RE-CONVENED

THE BOARD RE-CONVENED AT 6:00 PM.

A GROUP OF CITIZENS WERE PRESENT TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR HOSPITAL.

A GROUP OF DOCTORS, PERSONAL AND INTERESTED CITIZENS OF CALHOUN GENERAL HOSPITAL WERE PRESENT AT THE BOARD MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PLANS FOR CALHOUN GENERAL HOSPITAL, INC.

CHAIRMAN WOOD ADDRESSED CITIZENS CONCERNED ABOUT HOSPITAL.

CHAIRMAN WOOD STATED ATTORNEY HOUSE AND THE BOARD HAD BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING ON THE PROSPECT OF LEASING THE HOSPITAL AND WANTED THE AUDIENCE TO KNOW THAT THE BOARD IN NO WAY WANTED TO CLOSE THE HOSPITAL AND AT THIS POINT, FELT MORE OPTOMISTIC ABOUT SAME.

ATTORNEY HOUSE STATED UNITED HOSPITALS HAD MET WITH HIM RE HOSPITAL.

ATTORNEY HOUSE STATED 2 MEN FROM UNITED HOSPITALS, MEMPHIS, TENN. MET WITH HIM TODAY CONCERNING THE LEASE AND TOMORROW HE WOULD BE MEETING WITH A GROUP FROM BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

MR. MILLER, STATED SNATA FE WAS PULLING OUT OF THE HOSPITAL AS OF JANUARY 31, 1987.

MR. FLOYD MILLER, THE ADMINISTRATOR OF CALHOUN GENERAL HOSPITAL, STATED SANTA FE WAS PULLING OUT ON JANUARY 31, 1987 AND THAT SANTA FE HAD OFFERED HIS SERVICES, OF THE BOARD DESIRED, HOWEVER HE WOULD BE PAID BY THE COUNTY, TO HELP MAKE THE TRANSITION PERIOD.

MR. JACK VAN LIEROP INRE MILAGE TO KEEP HOSPITAL OPEN. MR. JACK VAN LIEROP ASKED IF THE COUNTY WOULD ACCESS MILAGE TO KEEP THE HOSPITAL OPEN?

CHAIRMAN WOOD: RE:MILAGE

CHAIRMAN WOOD STATED HE DIDN'T WANT TO ADDRESS MILAGE UNTIL THE OTHER OPTIONS WERE LOOKED AT.

DR. BRISTOL WANTED
ASSURANCE THAT THE
HOSPITAL WOULD STAY OPEN.

DR. BRISTOL STATED THE GROUP WANTED ASSURANCE THAT THE BOARD WOULD KEEP THE HOSPITAL OPEN, AS THEY FELT ANOTHER GROUP, IF LEASED, COULD NOT MAKE THE TRANSITION BY JANUARY 31, 1987. DR. BRISTOL FURTHER STATED THE DOCTORS NEEDED THAT ASSURANCE DUE TO THE FACT THEY HAVE PREGANT PATIENTS, AND OTHER PATIENTS THAT NEED THE FACILITY.

CHAIRMAN WOOD: RE HOSPITAL STAYING OPEN.

CHAIRMAN WOOD STATED THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WAS NOT TO LET THE HOSPITAL CLOSE.

MR. GEORGE ADKINS INRE HOSPITAL.

MR. GEORGE ADKINS, AND COMMISSIONER DILLARD STATED THE HOSPITAL WAS PAID OFF 8 YEARS AHEAD OF THE CONTRACT AND CERTAINLY MADE MONEY IN THE 1960'S.

INRE: ASSETS CALHOUN HOSPITAL.

THE BOARD AND MR. FLOYD MILLER DISCUSSED ASSETS OF CALHOUN HOSPITAL, INC.

HOSPITAL CONTRACT DISCUSSED INRE: WORKING CAPITAL.

ATTORNEY HOUSE STATED THE CONTRACT STATES THAT WHEN SANTA FE LEAVES THEY WILL LEAVE THE AMOUNT OF WORKING CAPITAL THAT WAS THERE WHEN THEY TOOK OVER.

MIKE TUCKER STATED SANTA FE OWED COUNTY \$190,000.00 AND RECOMMENDED THEIR STAYING FOR 90 DAYS. MIKE TUCKER STATED FROM THE AUDITS, SANTA FE OWED CALHOUN COUNTY HOSPITAL, INC. \$190,000.00. MR. TUCKER STATED HE WOULD RECOMMEND WORKING WITH SANTA FE AND TRY TO NEGOCAITE THEIR STAYING FOR 90 DAYS OR SO, DUE TO THEIR OWING THE COUNTY.

MOTION TO CALL SPECIAL MEETING RE HOSPITAL.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, AND DULY CARRIED TO TABLE THIS ISSUE AND CALL A SPECIAL MEETING FOR MONDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 12, 1987 AT 6:00 PM TO MAKE A FINAL DICISION FOR FINANCING, IN ORDER TO KEEP THE HOSPITAL OPEN.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THIS GROUP, THEY DID THEN ADJOURN.

ATTEST:

KONALD WOOD, CHAIRMAN