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MEETING OF 01/12/86

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET THIS DATE IN SPECIAL SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING CALHOUN HOSPITAL.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

THE FOLLOWING COMMISSIONERS WERE PRESENT:

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

PRESENT AND ACTING

ALSO PRESENT AND ACTING:

GAIL O'BRYAN, DEPUTY CLERK DAVID HOUSE, ATTORNEY

ATTORNEY HOUSE REPORT: CAL. GEN. HOSPITAL, LEASE WITH SANTA FE POSSIBLE OPTIONS. ATTORNEY HOUSE REPORTED TO THE LARGE CROWD ATTENDING THAT SANTA FE HEALTH CARE, CURRENTLY LEASING THE HOSPITAL WILL DROP THEIR LEASE ON JANUARY 31, 1987. HE STATED HE HAD SPENT THE LAST 2 WEEKS CONTACTING HEALTH CARE AGENCIES AND HAD GOOD RESPONSES. HE FURTHER REPORTED HE HAD MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM UNITED HOSPITALS OF MEMPHIS AND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT GROUP OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA. HE SAID LOCAL DOCTORS HAD ALSO MET WITH THE GROUP FROM BIRMINGHAM AND HAD SEEMED IMPRESSED. HOUSE REPORTED THAT SANTA FE HEALTH SYSTEMS HAD BEEN CONTACTED, AND THEY HAD ASSURED HIM THEY WOULD WORK WITH THE COUNTY DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD.

HOSPITAL CONT. - POSSIBLE SALES TAX.

ATTORNEY HOUSE STATED THAT THOSE FIRMS THAT STATED THEY WERE INTERESTED IN THE HOSPITAL SAID THAT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WERE NEEDED

HOSPITAL CONT. - SALES TAX FOR IMPROVEMENTS

THE BOARD AND AUDIENCE DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF A SALES TAX FOR THOSE IMPROVEMENTS.

COMMISSIONER DILLARD SUGGEST COUNTY SHOULD TAKE OVER HOSPITAL. COMMISSIONER DILLARD STATED 19 DAYS WAS A SHORT TIME TO NEGOTIATE A LEASE AND HIS FEELINGS WERE FOR THE COUNTY TO TAKE OVER THE HOSPITAL AND STUDY THE LEASING FURTHER.

DISCUSSION OF FL.
RETIREMENT FOR EMPLOYEE
OF CALHOUN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

THE BOARD AND EMPLOYEES OF CALHOUN HOSPITAL DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF GETTING ON THE FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

DR. WHITE REPORT: HOSPITAL

DR. ELGA B. WHITE REPORTED ON THE MEETING WITH THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

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AUDIENCE: RE: A HOSPITAL BOARD.

THE AUDIENCE QUESTIONED THE POSSILBILTY OF APPOINTING A HOSPITAL BOARD. ATTORNEY HOUSE STATED THE ONLY WAY A BOARD NEEDED TO BE APPOINTED WAS IF THE COUNTY TOOK OVER THE HOSPITAL.

MOTION TO COMMENCE WITH NEGOCIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL LEASE.

AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION, A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARDS, AND DULY CARRIED, THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AND ATTORNEY DAVID HOUSE GO AHEAD AND COMMENCE ACTIVE NEGOCIATIONS WITH HOSPITAL CARE FIRMS THAT WE HAVE ALREADY MADE CONTACT WITH WHO ARE ATTRACTED TO CALHOUN COUNTY AND ANY OTHER GROUPS THAT RESPOND TO NEGOCIATIONS TO ACTIVATE A HOSPITAL LEASE IN CALHOUN COUNTY BEARING IN MIND THAT FEBRUARY 1, 1987 IS NOT A MAJOR CRITERIA IN MAKING THAT SELECTION. (FOR RESOLUTION, SEE SUPPLEMENTAL, MINUTE BOOK SECTION 1 PAGE 1). CHAIRMAN WOOD ASKED THE AUDIENCE TO ACTIVELY WORK AND ASSIST THE BOARD 'IF A REFERENDUM FOR SALES TAX, IF NEEDED FOR THE HOSPITAL. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DILLARD, AND DULY CARRIED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COLLECTIONAL INSTITUTE IN CALHOUN COUNTY. CALHOUN COUNTY. . A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HIRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER A MOTION WAS MADE BY DILLARD, AND DULY CARRIED TO ADJOURN.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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MEETING ADJOURNED.

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

ATTEST:

CLERK

RONALD WOOD

Yould W. Wood

CHAIRMAN