

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
AUGUST 27, 1990

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:  
COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD  
COMMISSIONER DILLARD  
COMMISSIONER MELVIN  
COMMISSIONER COX

PRESENT AND ACTING:  
WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK OF COURT  
GAIL O'BRYAN, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
BROWARD VICKERY, DEPUTY SHERIFF

THE BOARD RECONVENED IN SPECIAL SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION WITH UTILITY COMPANIES A FRANCHISE FEE ON ELECTRICITY.

UTILITY COMPANIES PRESENT WERE: FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES, WEST FLORIDA ELECTRIC, GULF COAST ELECTRIC AND CITY OF BLOUNTSTOWN.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD READ ALOUD A DRAFT OF A PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR A FRANCHISE FEE.

DURING DISCUSSION, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT A FRANCHISE FEE ON ELECTRICITY ONLY, WOULD NOT GENERATE THE REVENUE NEEDED. THE UTILITY COMPANIES ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE BOARD WAS OPENING THEMSELVES UP FOR A LAWSUIT BY PLACING A FRANCHISE FEE ON ELECTRICITY ONLY.

AFTER A LENGTHY DISCUSSION, THE UTILITY COMPANIES WERE GIVEN DRAFT COPIES OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR THEIR ATTORNEYS AND BOARDS TO REVIEW.

THE BOARD WAS POLLED REGARDING PLACING A 10% FRANCHISE FEE ON ELECTRICITY, TELEPHONES, NATURAL GAS, AND LP GAS FOR ONE YEAR.  
COMMISSIONER COX--YES  
COMMISSIONER MELVIN--NO  
COMMISSIONER DILLARD--YES  
COMMISSIONER GRANT--YES  
COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD--YES

GREG PREBLE, BDE, WAS PRESENT AND REPORTED AFTER REVIEW OF THE BIDS ON EDA CONTRACT I FOR WATER WELL AND PLANT, HE RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD EXECUTE THE CONTRACT FOR ONE 8" WELL DUE TO ONLY HAVING A BALANCE OF \$135,000 FOR WELLS AND AT THE END OF THE CONTRACT TO SEE IF ENOUGH MONEY WAS LEFT TO AT LEAST GET A CASING IN THE GROUND FOR THE 2ND WELL.

AFTER DISCUSSION, MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DILLARD, 2ND BY COMMISSIONER COX AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT LOW BID FOR 1 WELL AND PLANT FROM N. FLORIDA CONSTRUCTION FOR \$111,000.00 BASED UPON RECOMMENDATION OF BDE & ARPC.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE BOARD'S REVIEW:

LETTER FROM TOMMY WILLIAMS, PLANNING COMMISSION, ACTING CHAIRMAN  
RE: SUB DIVISION ENFORCEMENT

LETTER FROM: DR. GRAYSON SNYDER  
RE: CALHOUN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT  
ACTIVITIES AND EXPENDITURES REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 6-30-1990

LETTER FROM BASKERVILLE-DONOVAN ENGINEERS  
RE: ADVISING GREG PREBLE, P.E. WILL BE MANAGING CALHOUN COUNTY PROJECTS.

LETTER FROM FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION  
RE: ANNUAL OFFICE SPACE SURVEY

PRESENTED ORDER SIGNED BY JUDGE PHILLIP J. KNIGHT FOR VOLUNTARILY DISMISSING WITH PREJUDICE CASE # CC90-12. (CASTLE COMPANY -vs- FHCS, INC., G. L. TIPSWORD, AND CALHOUN COUNTY.

LETTER FROM DEPT. HRS

RE: SHARED COUNTY AND STATE HEALTH CARE PROGRAM FOR FY 90-91

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD DISCUSSED WITH THE BOARD AND ASKED APPROVAL FROM THEM ALLOWING HIM TO APPLY FOR GRANT MONIES TO BE USED AT SAM B. ATKINS PARK. THE BOARD HAD NO OBJECTION AND GAVE APPROVAL.

COMMISSIONER COX STATED THAT HE MET TWICE LAST WEEK WITH KINARD ACTION COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE KINARD COMMUNITY BUILDING. HE REPORTED CLERK WISE MET WITH US THE FIRST MEETING AND DEPUTY CLERK GAIL O'BRYAN MET WITH US AT THE 2ND MEETING. WE HAD SOME GOOD DISCUSSION AS TO WHAT THEIR GROUP WOULD LIKE TO SPEND THE \$40,000.00 FOR, AND WHAT WAS NEEDED TO GO IN THE 8 CRITERIA THAT HAS TO BE SENT TO DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES BY AUGUST 31st. THE CLERKS OFFICE REPORTS THAT THE 8 CRITERIA HAS ALREADY BEEN MAILED TO TALLAHASSEE.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE BOARD DID ADJOURN.