BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES OF MEETING--SPECIAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 7, 1990

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: DONNELL WHITFIELD JAMES M. DILLARD TRUMAN GRANT ELLIS MELVIN MONROE COX

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

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AND COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD STATED THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING WAS FOR THE BOARD TO MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM ELECTRIC COMPANIES, GAS COMPANIES AND TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR DISCUSSION AND IMPUT REGARDING PROPOSED 10% FRANCHISE FEE.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING REPRESENTING UTILITIES COMPANIES:

Joe Minton----West Florida Electric
Billy Demmon---Florida Public Utilities
Mike Peacock---Gulf Coast Elect Coop
Roy Barnes----Gulf Coast Elect. Coop
Ralph Stacy ---Gas Inst. of Miracle Strip
Jimmy Strength ---Amerigas
Lynda N. Bordilon---St. Joseph Telephone
Pony Adams--Adams L. P. Gas

The Board, Utility Company Representatives and audience, discussed at length the Proposed Ordinance for Franchise Fees. Many questions were posed regarding billing, collection and authority under which the Ordinance would be adopted.

After a lenghty discussion between all concerned, it was determined that the Utility Companies needed more time to obtain legal opinions and additional research regarding the Franchise Fee and Proposed Ordinance.

The Board scheduled a special Board Meeting for September 14, 1990 at 2:00 P.M., for the purpose of meeting with utility companies after research had been done by the companies' attorneys and boards.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.