BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 20, 1991

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

S. DONNELL WHITFIELD PACK BOWDEN ELLIS MELVIN TRUMAN GRANT JOHN LINDSEY

PRESENT AND ACTING:

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK
BILL A. CORBIN, COUNTY ATTORNEY
WILLIAM G. SMITH, SHERIFF
GAIL O'BRYAN, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
JOE TAYLOR, FINANCE

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

ATTORNEY CORBIN REPORTED THAT TODAY WAS THE DEADLINE FOR FILING BRIEFS IN THE UNION LAW SUIT, HOWEVER, THE JUDGE HAD GRANTED A 30 DAY EXTENSION AND HE WAS IN THE PROCESS OF PREPARING AND FILING BRIEFS.

A DISCUSSION ENSUED BETWEEN THE BOARD, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES REGARDING GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD REPORTED THE BOARD HAS TENTATIVELY VOTED TO FUND 25% OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES. HE SAID IF MONEY IS AVAILABLE, THE BOARD WOULD LIKE, IF POSSIBLE, TO FUND 50 TO 75% OF THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH PREMIUM. HE STATED, AT THIS TIME, IN THE BUDGETARY PROCESS, HE DOES NOT KNOW HOW MUCH MORE THE BOARD CAN 'IND.

COMMISSIONER LINDSEY RESPONDED THAT THE BUDGET PROCESS IS SET UP TO MAKE TENTATIVE CUTS AND AT THIS TIME, NOTHING IS FINAL. HE HOPES, LATER IN THE PROCESS, THAT THE INSURANCE COVERAGE CAN BE ADDED BACK TO THE BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER MELVIN STATED NOTHING IS FINAL AT THIS TIME. HE SAID THE BOARD IS LIMITED AS TO WHAT THEY CAN CUT AND SOME CUTS HAVE TO BE MADE.

COMMISSIONER BOWDEN SAID HE IS LOOKING AT CUTTING ACROSS THE BOARD AND AFTER DOING SO, MAYBE MAKE ADJUSTMENTS LATER.

COMMISSIONER GRANT SAID HE HOPES THE BOARD CAN FUND MORE OF THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE THAN 25%.

CLERK WISE REPORTED THAT IF THE COUNTY DOES NOT PARTICIPATE TO THE TUNE OF ABOUT 60% THERE WILL BE NO GROUP. HE SAID COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAVE NOT HAD A RAISE IN 3 YEARS AND ALSO THERE ARE EMPLOYEES WHO CANNOT, BECAUSE OF HEALTH REASONS, OBTAIN OTHER COVERAGE. HE SAID HE FEELS IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO CUT THE INSURANCE FUNDING, THEY SHOULD

BEGIN WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CUT OUT THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM, AS HE PERSONALLY COULD AFFORD IT, BUT FELT EMPLOYEES COULD NOT.

SHERIFF SMITH RELAYED, IF THE BOARD CUTS EMPLOYEE INSURANCE BENEFITS, THEY ARE ACTUALLY CUTTING THE EMPLOYEE'S SALARY.

ALVIN ROBERTS, NANCY STONE, BARBARA DAVIS, RITA MAUPIN AND OTHERS ASKED THE BOARD TO RECONSIDER AND FUND EMPLOYEES HEALTH INSURANCE AT 100% SINCE THAT IT WILL BE A SALARY CUT TO EMPLOYEES IF IT IS FUNDED AT 25%.

RITA MAUPIN EXPLAINED TO THE BOARD THAT INSURANCE WAS PROVIDED FOR AND WAS A REQUIREMENT IN THE LITERACY GRANT. SHE REPORTED THE MONEY PROVIDED FOR INSURANCE WOULD HAVE TO BE REFUNDED IF NOT USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE BOARD WAS POLLED AND BY A 4-1 CONSENSUS, AGREED TO ALLOW MRS. MAUPIN TO PROVIDE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR HER EMPLOYEES OUT OF STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS.

COMMISSIONER MELVIN STATED HE COULD NOT AGREE TO PAYING INSURANCE OUT OF GRANTS UNLESS ALL EMPLOYEES HEALTH INSURANCE COULD BE PAID.

COMMISSIONER MELVIN STATED HE HAD NO PROBLEM CUTTING THE OFFICE HOLDERS AND THAT IT IS LAWFUL FOR OFFICE HOLDERS TO RETURN THEIR SALARIES BACK TO THE BOARD.

CLERK WISE QUESTIONED THE BOARD AS TO WHETHER OR NOT COUNTY EMPLOYEES WOULD BE DOCKED IF THEY ATTENDED THE NEXT BUDGET HEARING REGARDING GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE, SINCE THE BUDGET HEARINGS BEGIN AT 1:15 P.M?

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD RESPONDED THE WORKSHOP FOR DISCUSSION ON EMPLOYEE GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE WOULD BE HELD AT 5 OR SO IN THE EVENING SO THAT THE EMPLOYEES COULD ATTEND.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD CALLED FOR BIDS REGARDING THE HERITAGE TRAIL GRANT. (SEE ATTACHED BIDS)

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BOWDEN TO OPEN THE BIDS THEN TABLE THE HERITAGE TRAIL GRANT BIDS UNTIL MR. BARBEE AND THE BOARD ACCOUNTANT CAN REVIEW THE BIDS.

2ND COMMISSIONER MELVIN MOTION CARRIED UNAN.

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BIDS AND DISCUSSION AS FOLLOWS:

CUMBAA ENTERPRISES, HWY 20 WEST, P. O. BOX 783, BLOUNTSTOWN, FL. OUR PRICE FOR ONE COMPLETE CEMENT BLOCK BUILDING WITH ALL PLUMBING AS DETAILED IN THE PLANS IS TWENTY TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY TWO DOLLARS (\$22,852.00). THIS PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY MONEY FOR ELECTRICAL WORK AS NONE WAS DETAILED ON THE PLANS.

WILLIAM L. TATUM, ROUTE 1, BOX 322-C, ALTHA, FL 32421

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PAUL STOKES, BLOUNTSTOWN, FLORIDA 32424 CONSTRUCTION OF ABOVE NAMED BUILDING, (TWO BATHROOMS) SEE BUILDERS ATTACHED DESCRIPTION OF MATERIALS FOR QUESTIONS OF BID CONTENTS. ALSO SEE LINE ITEM BELOW FOR ITEM LEFT OUT BECAUSE PLANS DON'T MENTION

WIRING IN ANY WAY.

1. ADD \$1500.00 TO PRICE OF EACH BUILDING FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEM. PRICE \$27,720 PER BUILDING OR \$55,440 FOR BOTH 20% DOWN AND BALANCE ON COMPLETION.

THE BOARD, MR. BARBEE AND MR. TATUM DISCUSSED INCOMPLETENESS OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS OF BATHROOMS AND AFTER DISCUSSION, DECIDED TO READVERTISE FOR BATHROOM BIDS, AFTER LOGAN BARBEE MEETS WITH CONTRACTORS IN ORDER TO DRAW UP SPECIFICATIONS FOR BATHROOMS.

TATUMS HARDWARE AND SUPPLY, INC., HWY 20 WEST, BLOUNTSTOWN, FL 32424 MATERIALS BID (SEE ATTACHED BID)

VICKERY ENTERPRISES, INC., 1105 CHARLIE JOHNS STREET, BLOUNTSTOWN, FL 24 YARDS LIME STONE GRAVEL \$490.00 2 SEMI-LOADS HARDWOOD CHIPS \$1390.00

CAPPS WELL DRILLING, BLOUNTSTOWN, FLORIDA.

BEFORE OPENING BID FROM CAPPS WELL DRILLING FOR WELL, THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE DER REQUIREMENTS FOR CHLORINATION TEST AND ALSO DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF RUNNING LINES TO HOOK INTO EXISTING WELL AT SAM ATKINS PARK.

AFTER DISCUSSION, MR. CAPPS OF CAPPS WELL DRILLING, WITHDREW HIS BID FOR THE WELL.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LINDSEY TO ACCEPT LOW BID FROM VICKERY ENTERPRISES ON 24 YARDS OF LIME STONE GRAVEL FOR \$490.00 AND 2 SEMI-LOADS HARDWOOD CHIPS FOR \$1,390.00.
2ND COMMISSIONER MELVIN MOTION CARRIED UNAN.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MELVIN TO ACCEPT LOW BID FROM TATUMS HARDWARE FOR #2 OR BETTER PRESSURE TREATED MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES IN THE AMOUNT \$13,497.28.

2ND COMMISSIONER BOWDEN MOTION CARRIED UNAN.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD PRESENTED A LETTER FROM GARY L. SHAFFER, DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION TO MR. ROBERT SPEARS REGARDING THE ROAD INTO THE SPEARS PROPERTY WEEST OF STATE ROAD 71, SOUTH OF BLOUNTSTOWN. THE LETTER STATED IF THE COUNTY CHOOSES TO REGRADE THE ROAD SURFACE IN ORDER TO MAKE IT MORE PASSABLE, PERMITS ARE NOT REQUIRED FROM DER.

AFTER DISCUSSION ON THE LETTER FROM DER, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE COUNTY ALREADY HAS EASEMENTS FOR THIS ROAD WHICH IS LOCATED ACROSS FROM L. M. BARBEE'S, WEST OF S. R. 71, SOUTH OF BLOUNTSTOWN.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LINDSEY TO ACCEPT MAINTENANCE ON THE ROAD SINCE THE BOARD HAS RECEIVED A WAIVER FROM DER AND ALREADY HAS EASEMENTS FOR THE ROAD WHICH IS LOCATED ACROSS FROM L. M. BARBEE, WEST OF S. R. 71, SOUTH OF BLOUNTSTOWN.

2ND COMMISSIONER BOWDEN MOTION CARRIED UNAN.

MARSHA HARPOOL, ARPC, WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING AND REQUESTED THAT THE BOARD REPLACE THE VACANCY ON THE BOARD CREATED BY THE DEATH OF COMMISSIONER COX. THE BOARD APPOINTED COMMISSIONER JOHN LINDSEY AS AN ALTERNATE TO WILLIE D. WISE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON ARPC.

MS. HARPOOL ASKED THE BOARD FOR A WRITTEN REQUEST, IF THE BOARD DESIRES, TO WORK ON REOPENING OF SOUTH EASTERN FIBERBOARD. SHE SAID EDA HAS GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$\$40,000.00 FOR ENGINEERS TO DO A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON SOUTH EASTERN FIBERBOARD.

THE BOARD AGREED FOR ARPC TO PREPARE A LETTER FOR COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD'S SIGNATURE, REQUESTING THAT ARPC APPLY TO EDA FOR GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00 FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE REOPENING OF SOUTH EASTERN WITH INCLUSING OF A HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE PROTECTING CALHOUN COUNTY FROM DER CLEAN-UP REQUIREMENTS ON SOUTH EASTERN FIBERBOARD.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BOWDEN TO APPOINT MAXIE WALDROFF TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD AS DISTRICT 2'S MEMBER.

2ND COMMISSIONER MELVIN
MOTION CARRIED UNAN.

MOTION BY LINDSEY TO APPOINT JOYCE PEACOCK TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK AUTHORITY BOARD SUBJECT TO HER ACCEPTANCE.

2ND COMMISSIONER BOWDEN MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER WHITFEILD STATED THE PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL WILL MEET AT THE CIVIC CENTER, THURS. AT 6:00 P.M. AND RECOMMENDED THAT ALL COMMISSIONERS AND APALACHEE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL BE REPRESENTED.

MIKE CROCKER, FLORIDA AQUACULTURE PROCESSORS CO-OP, REPORTED THAT THE CATFISH PROCESSING PLANT WAS SINCE LAST WEEK UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT. HE STATED THE PLANT HAS SHUT DOWN PROCESSING IN ORDER TO GET ALL PROBLEMS SOLVED, BREAKDOWNS AND ETC. AND TO GET THINGS IN ORDER. HE SAID THE SHUTDOWN OF PROCESSING WAS FOR A RE-GROUP AND TO START-UP THE CORRECT WAY NEXT TIME. HE SAID ALL CO-OP MEMBERS WERE BEHIND THE MOWE. HE RELAYED WHEN THE PLANT BEGINS PROCESSING AGAIN, HOPEFULLY IN THE NEAR FUTURE, THEY WILL PROCESS. 5 DAYS A WEEK AND HOPE TO BE IN OPERATION BY SEPTEMBER 1ST.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD AND THE BOARD RELAYED THEY HAVE FAITH IN THE 30 OME CO-OP MEMBERS AND ARE NOT WORRIED ABOUT THE RUMORS GOING AROUND.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD REPORTED ON A ROUGH DRAFT AGREEMENT WORKED OUT ITH HRS FOR OLD INDIGENT CARE. THE ROUGH DRAFT ALLOWED FOR THE BOARD TO REPAY THE INDIGENT CARE BILL AT \$11,709.35 QUARTERLY. THE BOARD DISCUSSED AT LENGTH THE ROUGH DRAFT OF THE HRS AGREEMENT AND DURING ISCUSSION, DELETED THE LAST 5 SENTENCES ON PAGE 3 OF THE AGREEMENT AND AGREED TO SUBMIT IT TO HRS TO SEE IF THEY APPROVE.

'HE BOARD ACCEPTED THE RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENT FROM COBLE PROPERTIES, INC. (SEE ATTACHED EASEMENT) PROVIDING CORRECTIVE EASEMENT CHANGING NAME FROM CHIPOLA HEIGHTS TO CHIPOLA RIVER HEIGHTS IS EXECUTED BY NAN AYES.

BOARD DISCUSSED NEEDED WORK ON SECONDARY AND PAVED ROADS.
HE BOARD WAS POLLED AND AGREED UNANIMOUSLY TO RESURFACE J. P.
PEACOCK ROAD AFTER THEY RESURFACE RIVER STREET.

HE FINAL RESOLUTION AND DEED FOR EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY BETWEEN BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND CALHOUN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD HAS BEEN EXECUTED AS AGREED. THE DEED AND RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED BY THE DUNTY ATTORNEY'S FOR COUNTY AND SCHOOL BOARD.

THE MINUTES OF JULY 16, JULY 25, AND JULY 31ST WERE APPROVED AS LITTEN.

THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 6TH WERE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE BOARD DID ADJOURN.

ATTEST:

LLIE D. WISE

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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