CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BUDGET REVIEW JANUARY 15, 1992

PRESENT AND ACTING:

PACK BOWDEN, CHAIRMAN JOHN LINDSEY, VICE-CHAIRMAN ELLIS MELVIN

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK JOE TAYLOR, FINANCE DIRECTOR BRENDA TODD, DEPUTY, CLERK ROBERT COONER, ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN BOWDEN.

THE UTILITY TAX BUDGETED AT \$150,000.00 WAS DISCUSSED AND THE URGENCY OF GETTING IT RESOLVED WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE BOARD. A COURT DATE HAS NOT BEEN SET AT THIS TIME FOR THE HEARING IN CIRCUIT COURT.

COMMISSIONER LINDSEY REPORTED THAT THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RECOMMENDS 25% OF THE SALES OF THE LAND AT THE AGRICULTURAL PARK BE PUT INTO A FUND FOR OPERATING EXPENSES AND 75% BE PAID ON THE LAND.

THE BCC WAS PRESENTED WITH A VOUCHER FOR THE INTEREST AND 10% PAYMENT ON THE %504,000.00 NOTE.

THE \$77,644.00 PRISON LAND PAYOFF WAS DISCUSSED WITH IT BEING REPORTED THAT THE LOAN HAD BEEN PAID OFF.

DISCUSSION ENSUED AS TO THE RACE TRACK FUNDS AND BONDS ON THE COURTHOUSE. THE \$234,000.00 COURTHOUSE REVENUE SINKING BOND FUND IS USED TO PAY THE BOND ISSUE AND REMAINING FUNDS CAN BE USED IN GENERAL FUND.

DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ON THE PENDING LEGISLATION AFFECTING SMALL COUNTIES:

SMALL COUNTY KICKER INMATE DISTRIBUTION EMERGENCY DISTRIBUTION (SUPPLEMENTAL FOR COUNTIES LESS THAN 50,000 POPULATION) SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION

IT WAS BROUGHT TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION THAT WITH THE NUMBER OF LAWSUITS THE \$10,000.00 BUDGETED WOULD NOT SUFFICE FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR.

CLERK WISE PRESENTED THE BCC A LOCAL BILL NEEDED TO ENABLE THE COUNTY TO SELL THE HOSPITAL. THIS NEEDS THE BOARD'S ATTENTION IN RELATION TO THE LAWSUIT.

DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ON PENDING LEGISLATURE IN THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON:

- A) SMALL COUNTY KICKER TWENTY-SIX COUNTIES QUALIFY FOR THE SMALL COUNTY KICKER
- B) LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX EXPAND TAX BASE TO INCLUDE FUELS. THIS MUST PASS BY MAJORITY PLUS ONE VOTE (4 VOTES).
- C) GAS TAX CAN BE SPENT AS NEEDED, IF THE COUNTY IS IN A BIND, AS LONG AS THE ROADS ARE MAINTAINED.

ANOTHER BILL IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE WILL GIVE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THE AUTHORITY TO SET ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES.

JOE TAYLOR REPORTED ON THE FILING OF THE SPECIAL FUEL TAX REPORTS AND THE PROBLEM WITH THE EXCESS INVENTORY ON FUEL.

MR. TAYLOR REPORTED THE HOSPITAL AUDIT EXPENSE IS EXPECTED TO COST THE COUNTY AROUND \$12,000.00.

COMMISSIONER MELVIN BROUGHT TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION THAT MR. CALRK STILL AHD KELLY ROAD AND GOODWIN ROAD BLOCKED OFF. COMMISSIONER MELVIN STATED THAT DEPUTY BROWARD VICKERY HAD GONE AND ASKED THE CLARK'S TO REMOVE THE BARRICADES, BUT AT THIS TIME THEY WERE STILL UP. CLERK WISE STATED THE THREE PERSONS MENTIONED BY COMMISSIONER MELVIN THAT WERE LAND LOCKED BY THE CLOSING OF THE ROAD WOULD HAVE TO PROVIDE AFFIDAVITS OR BE PRESENT AT THE FINAL HEARING.

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE BOARD DECIDED FOR COMMISSIONER MELVIN TO TALK TO ATTORNEY BILL CORBIN TO SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE ABOUT ROAD CLOSED AND PURSUE THE SAME.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE BOARD DID ADJOURN.

ATTEST:

WISE, CLERK D.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CALHOUN COUNTY, FLORIDA: