CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING JULY 25, 1994

PRESENT & ACTING:

WILLIE T. GRANT, CHAIRMAN FRED ATTAWAY DONNELL WHITFIELD PACK BOWDEN

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK BRENDA TODD, DEPUTY CLERK

ALSO PRESENT:

DON A. "SONNY" O'BRYAN, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT TRAMMELL ED PUCKETT, STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT JERRY BUTLER, LIBERTY CO. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR JIM PARRISH, FLA COUNTY FOUNDATION SMALL COUNTY PROGRAM KEITH FIELDS, FLA COUNTIES FOUNDATION

CHAIRMAN GRANT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD LED IN PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS SPECIAL MEETING WAS TO MEET WITH SOME OF THE STATE REPRESENTATIVES AND AGENCIES TO DISCUSS THE FACT THAT CALHOUN COUNTY, WHICH IS AT THE 10 MILL CAP, WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MATCH THE 25% OR 12.5% MATCH ON THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY FUNDS RECEIVED ON THE FLOOD '94 DAMAGE.

REPRESENTATIVE TRAMMELL STATED THAT HE IS FULLY AWARE OF THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL CONDITION AND HE WOULD DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO MAKE OFFICIALS IN TALLAHASSEE REALIZE THE STRAIN THIS MATCH MONEY WOULD PUT ON CALHOUN COUNTY AND SEE THAT THE STATE PICK UP THE 25% MATCH.

MR. KEITH FIELDS STATED THAT APPROXIMATELY \$1.2 MILLION HAS BEEN SPENT OF THE \$5 MILLION SET ASIDE IN STATE DOLLARS FOR THIS TYPE OF EMERGENCY. MR. KEITH ALSO STATE THAT APPROXIMATELY 25 DSR'S HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM CALHOUN COUNTY TOTALLING ALMOST \$504,000.

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STATED THEY WILL HELP THE COUNTY IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE.

THE TEMPORARY HOUSING ISSUE WAS DISCUSSED. FEMA WILL PAY UTILITY BILLS FOR THE FIRST THIRTY (30) DAYS AND THE INDIVIDUALS WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE AFTER THAT TIME. THERE IS A MAXIMUM LENGTH OF TIME TO OCCUPY THESE TEMPORARY HOUSING UNITS WHICH IS EIGHTEEN (18) MONTHS, BUT IT IS PREFERRED TO HAVE EVERYONE BACK IN THEIR HOMES WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD MADE THE MOTION TO EXTEND THE EMERGENCY

RESOLUTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL SEVEN (7) DAYS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDEN. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO BE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR AND CABINET STATING THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF CALHOUN COUNTY REQUESTING THE STATE'S ASSISTANCE IN MAKING THE 25% MATCH ON THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY FUNDS RECEIVED. MOTION SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDEN AND CARRIED 4-0.

DON A. "SONNY" O'BRYAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD REGARDING SIGNATURES FOR THE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH WAKULLA COUNTY.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWDEN TO SIGN THE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH WAKULLA COUNTY. COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD SECONDED MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD CONCERNING THE POSSIBILITY OF THE NEED TO UTILIZE COOPER PARK AS A TEMPORARY HOUSING SITE.

IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE BCC TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF COOPER PARK AS A TEMPORARY HOUSING SITE, IF NEEDED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE BOARD DID ADJOURN.

ATTEST:

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK

WILLIE T. GRANT, CHAIRMAN