

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 1994

PRESENT & ACTING:

DUANE CAPPS, CHAIRMAN
DONNELL WHITFIELD, VICE-CHAIRMAN
FRED ATTAWAY
WILLIE T. GRANT
PACK BOWDEN

BRENDA TODD, DEPUTY CLERK
BROWARD VICKERY, DEPUTY SHERIFF

DEPUTY VICKERY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. COMMISSIONER BOWDEN LED IN PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

LARRY WALTERS, OWNER OF THE POWERHOUSE DRAG STRIP, ADDRESSED THE BOARD REGARDING HIS REQUEST TO HAVE 1.5 MILES OF APACHEE ROAD PAVED. MR. WALTERS HAS OFFERED CALHOUN COUNTY 50 CENT PER RACE CAR; UP TO \$1,000 PER YEAR FOR AN AGREED TERM IN AN EFFORT TO AID IN THE RELIEF OF SOME OF THE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF THIS PROJECT. MR. WALTERS PRESENTED THE BOARD A PETITION WITH APPROXIMATELY 300 SIGNATURES SUPPORTING THIS REQUEST.

THE BOARD RESPONDED BY STATING THAT RESEARCH NEEDS TO BE DONE TO SEE IF ANY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE THAT CAN HELP DEFER THE COST OF SUCH A PROJECT. COMMISSIONER BOWDEN WILL CHECK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO SEE IF ANY FUNDING IS AVAILABLE FOR INDUSTRY PROJECTS SUCH AS THIS.

MR. JUAN LIMA ADDRESSED THE BOARD REGARDING JUNK CARS BEING PLACED ON PROPERTY EAST OF WHITE POND. MR. LIMA EXPRESSED HIS CONCERNS OF THE POSSIBILITY OF CONTAMINATION OF THE SOIL AND WATER POSING HEALTH HAZARDS IN THIS AREA. MR. LIMA ALSO STATED THAT THIS TYPE ACTIVITY LOWERS THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY OWNED BY OTHERS IN THIS AREA.

MR. MIKE WILLIS CAME BEFORE THE BOARD TO DISCUSS DRAINAGE DITCH PROBLEMS HE HAS ON HIS PROPERTY LOCATED ON CHIPOLA ROAD.

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, IT WAS DECIDED THAT COMMISSIONER CAPPS WOULD MEET WITH THE COUNTY ENGINEERS AND LOOK INTO THE PROBLEM.

JESSIE L. KING ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO REQUEST THE BOARD'S SIGNATURE ON A PETITION FROM THE CITY OF BLOUNTSTOWN TO REZONE THE CORNER OF PINE STREET AND ELMORE AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS TO ENABLE A FUNERAL HOME TO BE CONSTRUCTED THERE.

THE CHAIRMAN POLLED THE BOARD AND IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE PETITION ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD.

MR. QUINCY HAND ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO REQUEST A PERMIT TO CARRY A GUN.

THE BOARD INFORMED MR. HAND THAT THE BOARD NO LONGER HANDLES THESE REQUESTS, THEY ARE HANDLED THROUGH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

MR. HAND ALSO DISCUSSED WITH THE BOARD THE FACT THAT HE HAS MEASURED THE PORTION OF THE CEMETERY PROPERTY HE CLAIMS THE BOARD HAS TAKEN WHEN THE ROAD WAS PAVED. MR. HAND STATED THAT THE AREA THE ROAD HAS TAKEN FROM THE CEMETERY PROPERTY AMOUNTS TO SIXTY-EIGHT (68) PLOTS THAT COULD BE SOLD FOR \$100 EACH. MR. HAND IS REQUESTING THE BOARD PAY \$6,800 FOR THIS PROPERTY.

A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WAS PRESENTED ON THE WILSON MILL CREEK BRIDGE FOR APPROVAL AND SIGNATURES.

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, COMMISSIONER ATTAWAY MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD TO TABLE THE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE BOARD REGARDING WILSON MILL CREEK BRIDGE TO ALLOW MORE INFORMATION TO BE GATHERED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

COMMISSIONER ATTAWAY EXCUSED HIMSELF AT THIS TIME TO ATTEND ANOTHER MEETING.

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD TO HOLD THE FIRST MEETING OF JANUARY ON JANUARY 10, 1995 INSTEAD OF JANUARY 3, 1995 DUE TO THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

A RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION KEEPING THEIR OFFICE LOCATED IN CALHOUN COUNTY COURTHOUSE WAS PRESENTED.

THE BOARD EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE ECONOMIC IMPACT THE MOVE OF FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION OFFICES WOULD HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY ALONG WITH THE EFFECT THIS MOVE WOULD HAVE ON THE BCC BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD MADE THE MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION REMAINING IN CALHOUN COUNTY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GRANT. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A DIVISION OF FORESTRY WORK CENTER TO BE LOCATED IN CALHOUN COUNTY WAS PRESENTED.

COMMISSIONER BOWDEN MADE THE MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LOCATION OF A DIVISION OF FORESTRY WORK CENTER IN CALHOUN COUNTY. COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LOCATION OF AN AGRICULTURAL WORK CAMP ENTITLED APALACHEE RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL WORK CAMP WAS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GRANT TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSAL FOR THE LOCATION OF THE APALACHEE RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL WORK CAMP IN CALHOUN COUNTY. COMMISSIONER BOWDEN SECONDED, AND MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD REGARDING THE PROPOSED NAME CHANGE OF THE IFAS AQUACULTURE RESEARCH CENTER TO THE STEVE YODER AQUACULTURE RESEARCH CENTER.

COMMISSIONER ATTAWAY RETURNED AT THIS TIME.

THE APALACHEE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL REQUESTED THE BOARD APPOINT A COMMISSIONER TO SIT ON THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 18, 1994 REGULAR MEETING AND THE OCTOBER 25, 1994 SPECIAL MEETING. MOTION SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GRANT AND CARRIED 5-0.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE BOARD DID ADJOURN.

ATTEST:

CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS:

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK

Duane Capps
DUANE CAPPS, CHAIRMAN