

CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
BOARD MEETING
JULY 18, 2000

PRESENT AND ACTING:

EARL HUNT
FRED ATTAWAY
S. DONNELL WHITFIELD
DUANE CAPPS
TRUAMN GRANT

WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK
MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY
JANICE HOLLEY, DEPUTY CLERK

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Vickery, prayer by Commissioner Capps and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The minutes of June 6, 2000, June 20, 2000, June 27, 2000 and July 11, 2000 were approved as presented.

Attorney Fuqua updated the Board on the changes in the Personnel Policy. After discussion the board directed Attorney Fuqua to make the changes and bring back to the Board for adoption at the next meeting.

Don A. O'Bryan, Emergency Management presented the Board with quotes on approximately 20,000 tons of limerock for DR-1249 DSR projects. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to accept low bid from NOVA of Tallahassee; however, Chairman Whitfield relinquished the chair to Vice-Chairman Grant and seconded the motion himself so that the Board could vote on said motion. After discussion Commissioners Hunt, Whitfield and Grant voted yes, and Commissioners Attaway and Capps voted no on said motion. Commissioner Attaway requested the minutes reflect that he voted no because American Lime & Dolomite is owned by Charles and Sonny Morris, residents and taxpayers in Calhoun County; therefore, he felt they should be awarded the bid.

NOVA OF TALLAHASSEE

0-10 miles \$7.75 per ton
11-20 miles 8.50 per ton
21-30 miles 9.25 per ton

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AMERICAN LIME & DOLOMITE, INC.

Quadrant #1 – NE part of County
Material - \$5.50/ton F.O.B.
Freight - 3.50/ton
TOTAL \$9.00/ton FOB sites

Quadrant #2 – NW part of County
Material - \$5.50/ton F.O.B.
Freight - 3.75/ton
TOTAL \$9.25/ton FOB sites

Quadrant # 3 – S part of County
Material - \$5.50/ton F.O.B.
Freight - 4.25/ton
TOTAL \$9.75/ton FOB sites

DOLOMITE, INC.

Rock Price \$5.85 per ton
Freight 4.25 per ton
TOTAL \$10.10/ton – all sites

After that motion Vice-Chairman Grant relinquished the chair back to Chairman Whitfield. Mr. O'Bryan reported to the Board that it would cost approximately \$2,000 to repair Neal Boat Ramp. He stated the Board had \$12,288.38 in the Boating Improvement Fund to reimburse the County for eligible costs covered under Florida Statute 328.72(15). Mr. O'Bryan recommended that the Board repair Neal Boat Ramp while the Apalachicola River is low. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Grant to use \$2,000 of the Boating Improvement Fund to make needed repairs to Neal Boat Ramp, then seconded by Commissioner Capps. The Board voted unanimously for said motion.

Mr. O'Bryan presented the Board for their review an advertisement and specifications on a single drum Vibratory Soil Compactor for a 6-month lease with an option to purchase. These bid proposals will be opened and reviewed at the August 1, 2000 board meeting at 2:00 P.M.

Mr. O'Bryan presented letters from DOT for review on matching state funds to counties for mitigating traffic problems on existing county maintained major highways. Mr. O'Bryan stated that it was his opinion that Calhoun County would not meet DOT criteria.

Mr. O'Bryan presented a contract # 01HM-14-02-17-15-004 for \$22,046 with the Department of Community Affairs for engineering on the Alliance Road Drainage Project funded through FEMA's HMGP-404 DR-1249, for their approval and execution. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Capps and carried to approve the executed contract.

Mr. O'Bryan and Tony Money, Chief of West Side Fire Dept. addressed the Board concerning applying for a Rural Development Grant to build a four bay metal building to house the search and rescue truck and three fire trucks. Mr. O'Bryan reported that he had met with Jimmy Dean, Rural Development Specialist, USDA Rural Development, regarding a Grant for West Side Fire Department. Mr. Dean stated that Rural Development had a budget of \$110,000 total available for this program statewide. Mr. O'Bryan stated that according to Jimmy Dean there were several applications already approved for this funding cycle. Mr. O'Bryan informed the Board that Rural Development would only fund 55% and the County would be responsible for the remaining 45% of the total cost. Furthermore, the County would be required to deed the land to West Side Fire Department without any deed restrictions. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Capps, seconded by Commissioner Grant to support West Side with the application. Then, Commissioner Capps rescinded his motion and Commissioner Grant rescinded his second to the said motion. Motion and second withdrawn due to land having to be placed in fire departments name before applying for a grant. After additional discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Capps, seconded by Commissioner Grant for Mr. O'Bryan to research the cost of a 40'X80' 4 bay metal building and report to the board at the August 1, 2000 meeting.

Commissioner Attaway asked Mr. O'Bryan if, or when CR 287 would be scheduled for resurfacing under the DOT SCRAP program. Mr. O'Bryan stated that CR-287 was in the 2001-2002 SCRAP application. After discussion the Board directed Mr. O'Bryan to contact FDOT and report back at the next meeting.

Commissioner Grant asked Mr. O'Bryan for an update on the Cooper Park survey and the Basket Ball Court Resurfacing Project. Mr. O'Bryan stated that Sue Marley has promised the survey would be available by August 1, 2000 meeting. He further stated that the specification for advertising for the repairs to the tennis and basketball courts were not completed.

Mr. Richard Williams with Big River Cypress addressed the Board in reference a turning lane to be place fixed by DOT.

Mr. Williams also asked permission to proceed with the tax credit application. Mr. Williams asked the County to write a letter to the State supporting this application. The Board agreed unanimously.

Attorney Fuqua swore in Harold Montford and Bob Fleck to the IDA Board.

Maxie Waldorff updated the Board on the IDA Board and the sale of property. Mr. Bud Terry and other members of the audience spoke in reference to the property owned by Mr. Terry. After a lengthy discussion the Board directed Attorney Fuqua, Mr. Terry and The IDA Board to have a meeting to resolve some of the problems and report back to the board.

Attorney Fuqua presented a tax certificate that did not sell at the Public Sale. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Capps, seconded by Commissioner Attaway and carried to table until Attorney Fuqua could research and report back to the board. Ms. Maureen McClellan had shown interest in purchasing the certificate.


Commissioner Hunt asked if a recommendation had been presented for the position of Director at the Health Department. Commissioner Whitfield said the applicants had been screened and that the necessary steps were being taken by the State Dept. of Health.

Commissioner Hunt stated that a tornado had touched down on Mr. Mears home on the other side of the Peanut Mill. Commissioner Hunt asked if there was any help that could be provided to Mr. Mears.. Commissioner Whitfield stated Mr. Mears should contact the Ship and Weatherization Program.

Commissioner Whitfield stated the Road Department needed to buy a Hedge Hog and a 15' Bush Hog mower. After discussion the Board directed Commissioner Hunt, Harold Pickron, Road Supt. and Bill Adkins, Mechanic to research and report back to the Board.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.

ATTEST:


WILLIE D. WISE, CLERK


S. DONNELL WHITFIELD,
CHAIRMAN