

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2, 2003**

PRESENT AND ACTING:

**EARL HUNT
WILLIAM E. SEWELL
JIM PICKRON
S. DONNELL WHITFIELD
TRUMAN GRANT**

**ROMAN WOOD, DEPUTY
MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY
JANICE HOLLEY, DEPUTY CLERK**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Whitfield, prayer by Commissioner Sewell, and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

TIM JENKS, MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT

Tim Jenks, Maintenance Superintendent updated the Board on the activities of the Maintenance Department. Mr. Jenks discussed with the Board problems with a 6" water main that leads to two fire hydrants North of Cypress Creek. Chairman Pickron recommended and the Board agreed for Mr. Jenks to obtain a price on a 6" galvanized pipe to correct the problem and report back to the Board.

Mr. Jenks presented to the Board for approval vacation leave for October 6, 2003 through October 10, 2003 and December 22, 2003 through December 31, 2003. After discussion, it was consensus of the Board to approve Mr. Jenks vacation leave.

BILL ADKINS, ROAD DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Adkins, Road Superintendent updated the Board on the activities of the Road Department. Commissioner Whitfield discussed with Mr. Adkins placing a pull bar on all grader operator trucks. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Hunt and carried for Mr. Adkins to give all motor graders two weeks to be in compliance with Board procedures and have a pull bar placed their vehicle.

Commissioner Whitfield praised Mr. Adkins for a job well done in District 1.

The Board directed Mr. Adkins not to leave the district in which he is working unless the Commissioner releases him to go to another district in an emergency.

**MR. DON A. O'BRYAN, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/GRANTS
COORDINATOR**

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for adoption and execution to the five -year Capitol Improvement Development Plan, Resolution 2003-05 for the Development of Cooper Recreational Park – Phase I. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Whitfield and carried to adopt and execute Resolution 2003-05.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for adoption and execution to the five –year Capitol Improvement Development Plan, Resolution 2003-06 for the Development of Ocheessee Recreational Park – Phase III. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Sewell and carried to adopt and execute Resolution 2003-06.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board for adoption and execution the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Resolution 2003-07 for the 2003-2004 Emergency Medical Services County Grant. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to adopt and execute Resolution 2003-07.

Mr. O'Bryan invited the Board to attend a Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Workshop for classification of roads. This workshop will be held on Monday, September 8, 2003 at 2:00 P.M. (CDT) in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) located in the basement of the Calhoun County Courthouse.

Mr. O'Bryan stated that he had discussed with Tommy Barfield, with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST), the County Road 274 Widening Project.

Chairman Pickron asked Mr. O'Bryan to search for any avenues to obtain money for County Road 10.

Mr. O'Bryan and the Board discussed a letter received from Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regarding drainage problems at White Pond. Mr. O'Bryan stated that Preble-Rish, Inc. was working on the problem.

PAM RIMES WITH THE EUTAW GROUP

Ms. Pam Rimes with EUTAW Group discussed with the Board and Mr. O'Bryan Northwest Florida's Hub Zone. Ms. Rimes asked the Board to participate with Jackson County to create a Hub Office for the surrounding counties. This office will help our local businesses expand. A motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to Ms. Rimes to apply for said Grant to create the Hub-Zone. After a lengthy discussion, the Board directed Ms. Rimes to contact Mr. O'Bryan and discuss the Hub Zone with him. He would update the Board at a later Board Meeting.

Attorney Fuqua updated the Board on the Lee Hill Road stating that a survey would have to be obtained to determine how to widen the Road. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Hunt and carried to authorize Attorney Fuqua to contact the county surveyor and have him survey the Hill Road and report back to the Board.

Mr. O'Bryan stated that designated Handicap parking at Neal's Boat Landing could be constructed for approximately \$1,000. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to construct designated handicap parking at Neal's Landing.

JOHNNY O'BRYAN

Mr. Johnny O'Bryan asked the Board to deliver a load of dirt to his property to correct a problem that was caused by CDBG Rehab not filling in a septic tank after the existing house was removed. After discussion, the County Attorney agreed that this was the County's problem. A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Whitfield and carried to fill the hole where the septic tank existed.

MINUTES APPROVED

The minutes of August 19, 2003 were approved as presented.

CHAIRMAN PICKRON

Chairman Pickron presented to the Board for approval and execution the 2003-2004 Weatherization Grant. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to approve and execute the 2003-2004 Weatherization Grant with no changes and no pay increases in the contract.

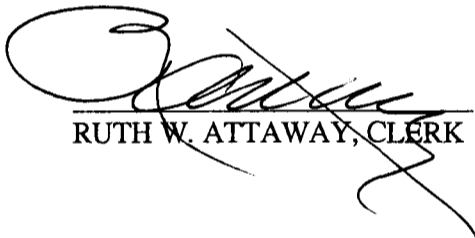
Chairman Pickron presented to the Board a photo of a Fire Truck that the Nettle Ridge Fire Department will obtain from the Division of Forestry. After discussion, a motion was made by commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Sewell and carried for the Fire Truck to be added to the County's inventory and insurance.

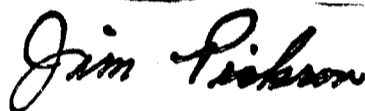
COMMISSIONER HUNT

Commissioner Hunt discussed with the Board the stripping on County Road 275 N (Alliance Road) and Hwy 73 A & B. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Sewell and carried for Mr. O'Bryan to contact C.W. Roberts to do the stripping on these roads. Chairman Pickron voted no.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.

ATTEST:


RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK



JIM PICKRON, CHAIRMAN

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